https://www.shadysidepres.org/about-world-communion-sunday/

CENTRAL SAANICH UNITED CHURCH

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World Communion Sunday
October 1, 2023

Scripture Reader: Bhree A. Young & Antony Merry
Greeters: Bhree A. Young & Antony Merry, Roberta Gault

WE GATHER

Hymn: **We Are One** **VU 402**

Opening words….
The banqueting table is prepared and God calls us to the feast.
We have come from east and west, from north and south, to sit at Christ's table.
Here compassion, love, and grace pour out like fine wine.
Here we taste the bread of life, bread for our journey.
These are gifts of God for all the people of God.
Let us taste and see that the Lord is good!
(from The Presbyterian Church in Canada – Worship Planner – Oct. 1, 2023)

We pray….
Gracious God, our divine parent, who has created all people, and has called us into the fellowship of the church, we praise and thank you.
While we worship you here, may we know the joy of being a part of your human creation.
Especially may we be filled with joy that we are part of the worldwide Christian family**.**
In word, in song, in prayer, in sacrament, in caring community we worship you, O God.
In Jesus' glorious name we pray.
Amen.

Ringing the Tone Bell (invitation to a moment of quiet)

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD

Special Music

Scripture: Exodus 20: (selected verses)
From the World Around Us: "The Garden Of Love"
(*by William Blake)*

Sermon: "Relationships, Rules, and Right Living"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

Hymn: **God, Who Has Caused to Be Written** **VU 498**

Offering
Invitation
Your Work, O God, Needs Many Hands **VU 537 (v.2)**
Dedication of the Gifts

We pray…
Hymn: **Day after Day** **MV 123 (2x)**

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer (*sung)* **VU 959**

WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn: **Long Ago and Far Away** **MV 195**

Invitation
The Great Thanksgiving
Sharing the Bread and the Cup
Prayer After Communion:

Hymn: **Be Thou My Vision** **VU 642 (v.1,2,4,5)**

Commissioning and Benediction:
The worship time has concluded and we go now to resume our daily activities.
We have feasted and our spirits are well nourished.
Let us take up the challenge of radical loving.
Let us take up the challenge of courageous justice seeking, and compassionate nurturing.
May the grace of God sustain us.
May the example of Jesus guide us.
May the daring of the Holy Spirit encourage us,
Today, tomorrow, and in all the days ahead.
Amen.
(adapted from a resource by Laura J. Turnbull in Gathering, Pentecost 2 (Year A), 2023)

Going Forth: **Dance with the Spirit** **MV 156 (2X)**
Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Meetings:

Worship Committee, Thursday, Oct. 5, 1:30 p.m.
Outreach, Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2:30 p.m.
Centering Prayer, Fridays, Oct.13 & 27, 11 a.m.
United Church Women, Friday, Oct. 20, 10 a.m.

Central Saanich United Church welcomes singers to join in choir rehearsal on Sunday mornings at 9am, followed by Sunday morning service. The only requirement is that you can carry a tune. We learn and sing a wide variety of songs. Have fun, build community, serve your church! Email our Music Director, Amy Nold if you'd like more information amynold@gmail.com

“Blessed to Be a Blessing”

Just a reminder to please bring in your jars of change for our **Peninsula Food Bank** fundraiser. This has continued in John Davidson’s memory, and we hope to have all the jars collected in time for our **Thanksgiving Sunday Service, October 8th.**

- From St. Andrew’s Cathedral Parish:

  TOGETHER AGAIN! **Prayer in the style of Taize** resumes FALL 2023, at St. Andrew’s Catholic Parish (Blanshard at View Street, Victoria), 6 p.m. on the 3rd Friday of the month: October 20, and November 17. Come, you are wanted among us.

  ‘feeling we are not alone can strengthen our life.’ www.taize.fr

- St. Paul’s United Church will be hosting a **Community Indoor Flea Market** on two (2) Saturdays, 9 a.m.—1 p.m. They will be held on October 7 & December 2.

  Rent a spot and sell your stuff! Send an email to magnolia4events@gmail.com or follow their Facebook page (St. Paul’s United Church) for updates.

Please refer to our website for Upcoming Events in our Community

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