

Gathering Music: Gordon Miller

GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT

Gathering Song ~ VU 579, Gordon Miller ~

♪ ♪ **The church is wherever God's people are praising, singing God's goodness for joy on this day. The church is wherever disciples of Jesus remember his story and walk in his way.**

The church is wherever God's people are listening, watching and learning and walking with grace. The church is wherever we see in the stranger the face of the Christ that we humbly embrace.

Welcome: Rev. Greg Powell

Territorial Acknowledgement

We gather on land that has sustained the Kosapsum, the Songhees, and their trading partners for a long time even before churches, houses, shops, and community centres were built. We seek reconciliation and right relationship; we also seek wisdom to be good stewards of the land and good stewards of power for the sake of all life.

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening Prayer

Holy Mystery, we gather for different reasons: to wonder about you, to reconnect with people we love, and to give thanks and praise for all that is good. Bless this time of renewal, this opportunity to reset and recommit to your way of love and justice. Amen.

Hymn VU 267 Like a Mighty River Flowing

Sharing the Peace of Christ

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

♪ ♪ **God's word is life, God's word is life, God's word is life, thanks be to God.** (repeat)
~ Gordon Miller ~

Scripture Reading: Luke 10:25-37

Read by: Janice Langley

Reflection: Rev. Greg Powell

Hymn MV 120 My Soul Cries Out

RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Communion (see insert)

Work of the People

Offering Ourselves with our Gifts

♪ ♪ **We Give Our Thanks to God** (4x) ~ MV 187 ~

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn MV 8 And On This Path

Commissioning and Blessing

Response

~ VU 298 ~

♪ ♪ **When you walk from here, When you walk from here, walk with justice, walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.**

James Bay United Church

*Following in the way of Jesus
on the journey inward
and the journey outward*

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July 13, 2025**

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