

GATHERING AS COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

WELCOME & TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Hadih, Bundada honzoo, welcome in the name of The Christ.

All: Welcome to this place of worship, situated on the Ancestral and unceded lands of the Lheidli T'enneh people.

Welcome to this place of blessing, this space of grace, and this holy sanctuary.

This place where we discern how to live into the way of Jesus.

All: We gather this morning to share in song, word, and prayer, to publicly, intentionally, and explicitly affirm that we are all an expression of the divine's holy light.

Welcome to this community, with deep traditions and hearts open to God

All: Be present with God and with one another here

Be welcomed and receive this blessing of presence and connection.

LIFE & MINISTRY

THE PEACE OF CHRIST SHARED WITH ALL

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you.

LEARNING AND SPEAKING PEACE – Lheidli Dakelh

Peace of Christ be with you – Dez-ghel nawhulh 'unt'oh

And also with you – Cha nyulh 'unt'oh

† HYMN: *PIE Song* Rev Donnalee Williams

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: God, our creator, has crafted the cosmos with their love

Many: Our lives are an echo of God's breath over the waters

One: The Holy One has crafted this earth, this water, this air that sustains us

Many: Our lives are made, breath by breath, from these elements

One: Divine Mystery weaves a pattern of connection with our bodies, the earth, and with one another

Many: Our lives are held in sacred community by the Spirit. She draws us into the centre of the ever-unfolding story of God's love.

One: Let us rejoice and worship knowing that queerness is

abundance; knowing that the Body of Christ thrives when all genders and all sexualities are held sacred; knowing that we are called to

Many: Come, let us walk in this good way, let us belong to one another, just as we belong to God

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE:

GROUNDING IN THE HOLY ONE

EMBRACING GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE (Unison)

God's love and grace is all around us; it is within us, entwining our spirits together in sacred community where each person is affirmed just as they are. We sing of the infinitely-faceted diversity of creation as the true image of God. We embrace the familiar and unfamiliar alike, knowing that God reveals God's self through reverent exploration of mystery, and gracious admiration for the intricacies in creation. As we turn our hearts toward God, we also turn our hearts toward one another; we honour the love we are freely given by loving, protecting and supporting one another. Amen

† HYMN: *There is Room for All* MV#62

A STORY FOR THE AGES

Lectionary@Home: 1 Samuel 16:1–13, Psalm 23, Ephesians 5:8–14, John 9:1–41

FOCUS READINGS:

Ephesians 4:1-7 New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

WA: Hear what The Spirit is saying to the church

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: *When You Prayed Beneath the Trees*

SERMON: *Crafting an Affirming Fast*

Holy Quiet

BEING THE CHURCH THROUGH SERVICE

† HYMN: *My Love Colours Outside the Lines* MV#138

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In Jesus' name we offer these prayers and together we offer the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples using inclusive language*

**All: Weaver of Life, Ancient and Unfolding,
 How sacred is your Presence!
 We lean on your guidance.
 We seek your love.
 We open to your transformation.
 Provide us bread in body and spirit
 to sustain us in faith and solidarity.
 Companion us with grace
 as we seek to live lives of forgiveness and compassion,
 repair and accountability.
 We remember those who have supported us
 as we seek to support others
 in all the mess and glory of this human journey.
 Guard our minds and hearts from the temptations of
 domination
 and turn our loyalty away from all systems of evil.
 For the whole cosmos hums with your wisdom.
 Everything that lives, returns to your care.
 Our thanks and honor to you,
 Gracious Web of Existence,
 Our Source and our Home.
 Amen.**

*the Lord's Prayer, enfleshed.com

SHARING OUR GIFTS FOR MINISTRY

OFFERTORY PRAYER (Unison)

God of abundance and creativity, receive our offerings as they are held up to you now: offered in hope, and in hope against hope, offered from pockets half-empty and overflowing, offered from lives busy and spare. We offer these gifts that they may be transformed by the hands of your community to midwife your loving vision of the world into being. We bring whole selves that we may share in the co-creation of your kin-dom. Holy One, we ask that you would bless these gifts, and multiply them for the crafting of an affirming world. Amen.

† HYMN: *Grateful* **MV#182**

†COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

†HYMN: *Walk With Me (chorus, v 4, chorus only)* **VU#649**

POSTLUDE



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You are... Wanted... Valued... Included... Affirmed

Sunday, March 15th, 2026 - 10:00 AM
PIE Day – Crafting the Fast
4th Sunday in Lent

† indicates stand as you are able **MV** = More Voices
Bold indicates participation by the people **VU** = Voices United

Core Values: Living Faith - Inclusive Fellowship
 Joyful Service – Being Anti-Racist – Affirming All



PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP LEADERSHIP TODAY: *Worship Leader – Rev. Dr. Kendra Mitchell-Foster; Worship Assistant – Beth Quesnel; Pianists – Sandy Long and Kathleen Rowlands; Trumpet Player – Diane Kjørven; Choir Director – Erica Skowron; Associate Choir Director – Diane Kjørven; Adult Choir; Digital Ministry – Rebecca Fillier & Fya Garbutt*