



## LARGE PRINT

### Trinity United Church

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

**Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - 10:00 AM**

**Easter 7 – Ascension Sunday**

**Bold** indicates participation by the people      **VU** = Voices United

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



## GATHERING AS COMMUNITY

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME & TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

*Hadih, Bundada hoonzoo*, welcome in the name of The Creator, the Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

**All: We are here, and we honour the ancestral and unceded lands of the Lheidli T'enneh people.**

One: We are grateful and we honour the millennia of stewardship, care, and relationship that the Lheidli T'enneh have with their key'oh. We are in relationship with them, with their sovereignty, with the land, and with the legacy of uninvited settlers.

**All: We gather this morning in celebration, proclaiming the Risen Christ and the promise of healing that the resurrection brings**

One: We proclaim publicly, intentionally and explicitly that every human being is cherished as a vibrant part of the Body of Christ on earth.

**All: Be present with God and with one another here**

One: Bless our community this morning, O God, with your breath, your presence, and your love.

### LIFE & MINISTRY

### GATHERING PRAYER

### THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you!

**And also, with you.**

### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST – Lheidli Dakelh

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

And also with you – Cha nyulh 'unt'oh

† HYMN: *Come All You People (Uyai Mose)*

**MV#2**

## **CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)**

One: Creator, parent of the human family,

**Many: we gather to worship you.**

One: In our living breath, we are called beloved children of God

**Many: and we gather to worship you.**

One: Friends, neighbours, siblings in faith,

**Many: we gather to worship in song, in prayer, in readings from your story/our story, in thoughts and reflections.**

One: Let us rejoice and worship knowing that God is abundance; knowing that the Body of Christ thrives when all people are held sacred;

**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. Grateful, we sing of God the Spirit, animating all energy and matter and moving in the human heart. God's grace is meant for us, freely given. Nothing can separate us from the love of God. Amen**

† HYMN: *It's a Song of Praise to the Maker*

**MV#30**

## A STORY FOR THE AGES

*Lectionary@Home: Acts 1: 6-14; Psalm 69:1-10, 32-35; 1  
Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11; John 17:1-11*

**Focus Reading:** *Lectio Divina Acts 1: 6-14*

**HOLY QUIET**

**ANTHEM:** *Celebrate and Sing with Praise  
Trumpet – Diane Kjørven*

**Reader 2:** *First Nations Version*

**HOLY QUIET**

**Reader 3:** *The Message*

**HOLY QUIET**

**WA:** Hear what The Spirit is saying to the church

**All:** Thanks be to God.

## BEING THE CHURCH THROUGH SERVICE

† **HYMN:** *In You There is a Refuge* **MV#84**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Responsive)**

**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 sparse. 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: *May God's Sheltering Wings* MV#214

POSTLUDE

**PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP LEADERSHIP TODAY:**

*Worship Leader – Kathleen Rowlands; Worship Assistant – Elizabeth MacRitchie; Readers – Clair and Ruth Meger; Pianist – Vic Steblin; Trumpet Player – Diane Kjorven; Choir Director – Erica Skowron; Associate Choir Director – Diane Kjorven; Adult Choir; Digital Ministry – Rebecca Fillier & Fya Garbutt*