

## HOLY SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

One: The Holy One be with you

**Many: And also with you**

One: Open your hearts to the One who is Love

**Many: We open our hearts to you, O God**

One: Let us give thanks to God who takes risks for love

**Many: For the courage of the Holy that lives in us, we give thanks**

Throughout history, O God, we have struggled to claim the power you have given us. Destructive forces within and around us make us question your call upon our lives. We turn ourselves over, in ways ordinary and remarkable, to what is.

To what has been.

To the familiar.

But you have created us for so much more. In Jesus, we saw a life lived in all its potential. In all its Sacred power. Life that is abundant. Love that was creative, and fervent for justice. We saw, too, the consequences of living as if the Kin-dom were close.

And so, we wonder.

**Many: If we live with such courage, what will we lose? In proclaiming truths that confront unjust power, do we stand a chance of survival? How will it go for us, if we are willing to risk everything for love?**

You have never promised us safety, but you have shown us what is possible. The Spirit brings new life even to places of death. Jesus, knowing the dangers ahead, still did not cave to the threats of power or give in to the temptations of the popular. There was nothing he would trade for his love of the suffering and betrayed, not even his own life. So we offer the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples using inclusive language:

**Our Holy Mother,  
in your glory, we rise to courage.**

**Your gentle power uplifts.**

**Your ferocious care protects.**

**As empires rise and fall,**

**your brave love sustains**

**all the earth, era after era.**

**Provide for us and all –**

**let every basic need be met**

**and all excess be redistributed.**

**May your graciousness move us**

**to be gracious with others**

**in accountability and repair.**

**We strive to live in alignment**

**with ourselves, each other, and the land.**

**Keep us from all that deceives and destroys.**

**On your paths, we find life abundant.**

**In your company, we return to ourselves.**

**Under your wings, we shelter each other.**

**Amen**

On the night of his arrest, he gathered around table with his companions. His friends. His beloveds in the struggle. Even the one who would turn him over to the cross.

He took bread, blessed it, broke it, gave it to all of them and said,

“This is my body which is given for you. Take, eat, and remember me.”

After the supper, he did the same with the cup, saying,

“This is a symbol of the new covenant. Drink in remembrance of me.”

In remembering the life of Jesus, we remember what he taught us about ourselves – about the power God has given us.

**Many: We remember that God enfleshed is Good News that feeds, that protects, that heals, and delivers. We remember**

**the words he spoke: “whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these.”**

And so we pray, pour out your Spirit on this bread and this cup, O God. Through these gifts, fill our hearts with courage to believe the Kingdom is within us, to live boldly in pursuit of love that liberates, and to follow the Wisdom that leads from the margins. Blessed be this meal of hope.

**“The body of Christ broken for you”  
“Blessed are the hungry”**

**“The blood of new life, poured out for you”  
“Blessed are those who thirst”**

**“Thanks be to God”**

#### **Prayer after Communion**

**God, we give you thanks! For this meal that nourishes us in body and spirit. For a taste of your dreams. For the earth that gifts us these resources. And for these bodies of ours through which you take on flesh. May our gratitude produce faithfulness and our faithfulness produce justice. Amen.**

#### **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, in devotion, and in love. 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 our whole selves that we may share in the co-creation of your kingdom. Holy One, we ask that you would bless these gifts, and multiply them for the crafting of an affirming world. Amen.**





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

**Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - 10:00 AM**

Pride 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

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#### 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: *True Faith Needs No Defence*

**MV#139**

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Moderator's Pride Month Video

[https://youtu.be/tH6JkGe3ME0?si=ybA\\_pCGSIrhsYto2](https://youtu.be/tH6JkGe3ME0?si=ybA_pCGSIrhsYto2)

#### 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 *Like a Rock (actions with verse 1 repeated 2x)* **MV#92**  
with Sandy & Roberta

#### A STORY FOR THE AGES

*Lectionary@Home: Genesis 18:1–15, (21:1–7), Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19, Exodus 19:2–8a, Psalm 100, Romans 5:1–8, Matthew 9:35–10:8, (9–23)*

**Focus Reading: Psalm 100**  
**New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition**  
**Using inclusive language**

WA: Hear what The Spirit is saying to the church  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM:** *This is Our Story*

**SERMON:** *Iridescent Love*

**HOLY QUIET**

**BEING THE CHURCH THROUGH SERVICE**

† **HYMN:** *Praise Our Maker* **VU#316**

**HOLY SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (see Insert)**

† **HYMN:** *Draw the Circle Wide* **MV#145**

† **COMMISSIONING & BLESSING**

† **HYMN:** *You Shall Go Out with Joy (x2)* **VU#884**

**POSTLUDE**

**PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP LEADERSHIP TODAY:** *Worship Leader – Rev Dr Kendra Mitchell-Foster; Worship Assistant – Allan Reed; Pianist – Kathleen Rowlands; Trumpet Player – Diane Kjorven; Choir Director – Erica Skowron; Associate Choir Director – Diane Kjorven; Adult Choir; Digital Ministry – Rebecca Fillier & Fya Garbutt*

