



RIVERBEND UNITED CHURCH

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*So every day
I was surrounded by the beautiful crying forth
of the ideas of God,
one of which was you. — Mary Oliver*

We Gather Together

Prelude

Andrew Sims

Welcome and Announcements

As we share the ministries of the church, we remember that we worship on Treaty Six lands, and we honour those who came before us for generations before we got here.

Troait

Let Us Build a House vs 1

MV 1

Call to Worship

From "Loving Our Neighbours"

Emily Severson

Each day is a mystery. None of us knows exactly what is going to happen, exactly whom we're going to meet, or exactly what we will be called upon to do.

Each day is a mystery.

Even the days that are filled with routine have moments filled with "aha!" if we open ourselves to them.

Each day is a mystery. How will we live?

How will we love? Whom will we meet?

Each day is a mystery.

But there are some things we know. No matter what happens, no matter which neighbours we meet, no matter what we are called to do— God's love goes with us.

God's love is within us.

God's love lives between us.

Thanks be to God!

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Holy One, we return to your presence one more time this morning, seeking to be made new. Refresh us, we pray. May we listen for your call upon our lives, letting gratitude for your abundance move through us to others, and letting your light shine in loving our neighbours. Amen.

*Heritage Hymn

Now Thank We All Our God

VU 236

Children's Time

*Children's Hymn

Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands vs 1 **VU 570**

We Listen for the Ongoing Word of God

Scripture Reading:

Matthew 5: 13-16; Matthew 22: 36-39

Anthem

"African Psalm"

Patrick Liebergen

Reflection

"Pass the Salt Please"

Rev. Valerie Oden

Stewardship Moment

Christine Ens and Geoff Halferdahl

*Hymn of Response

We Are Pilgrims vss 1, 2, 3, 6

VU 595

We Share our Prayers, our Gifts and our Lives

Sharing our Prayers

Dr. Joanne Olson,
Parish Nurse/Care Coordinator

Choral Call to Prayer

O God Hear Our Prayer (adapted)

VU 948

Prayer of the People / The Lord's Prayer (VU 921)

Offering Our Gifts

*Parting Hymn

In Christ There Is No East or West vss 1-3

VU 606

*Benediction

*Response

Prayer of Dedication Inside back cover of VU

**denotes you are invited to stand as you are able and inclined*

VU refers to the red hard-bound hymnal called *Voices United*

MV refers to the paperbound hymnal called *More Voices*

Welcome!

If you are new with us, we're glad you're here and we would love to meet you. Please also feel free to fill out a contact card if you would like to receive our weekly email updates.

Staff Ministry Team

Valerie Oden, Lead Minister
Tom Sawyer, Minister Emeritus
Joanne Olson, Health & Care Ministry
Paula Roberts, Music Director
Andrew Sims, Accompanist
Lois Samis Lund, Handbell Choir Director
Joel Fleck, Youth Co-Coordinator
Alex Rasmussen, Youth Co-Coordinator
Emily Severson, Children's Ministry
Jacqueline Hunt, Office Manager

Ministry of the Community

Matthew Schoenhardt, Chair
Christine Ens, Past Chair
Tom LaPointe, Treasurer
David Galbraith, Property & AV
Jim Schetzslle, Property
Ray Hawrelak & Jesse Lim, AV
Carolyn Miller, Worship Slides
Audrey Skinner, Chancel décor
Peggy Robinson, Communion
Stephen & Fiona Bamforth, Communion