



RIVERBEND UNITED CHURCH

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March 10, 2019
Whole Community Worship
10:30 a.m.

For thousands of years, First Nations peoples have walked on this land; their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality. As we worship today, we honour their stewardship of this land through the ages.

We Gather Together

Welcome and Announcements

Introit *Where Two or Three Are Gathered* **MV 14**

Call to Worship

We come this morning as people of God.
We come seeking to be refreshed and renewed in God's presence.
We come with our questions and concerns, seeking God's reassurance.
We come with open hearts and minds, eager to hear God's Word.
COME LET US WORSHIP THE LORD!

Opening Prayer *(in unison)*

Loving God, we come before you this morning at the beginning of our Lenten journey, walking with Jesus as he travels the road that leads to the suffering of the Cross and the empty tomb with its promise of new life. We pray that as we journey together as a faith community, we will be brought closer to Christ and that our lives will be transformed by our encounter with him. In his name we pray, Amen.

*Opening Hymn *Come Let Us Sing* **VU 222**

Children's Time *The Water Princess*

Children's Hymn *Peace Like a River* **VU 577**

We Listen for God's Ongoing Word

Scripture Reading Isaiah 44:1-4 Randy Nelson

Hymn *Like a Healing Stream* **MV 144**

Reflection *Water the Facts* Joanne Little

Scripture John 4:1-42 illustrated using free Bible Images

Hymn *River* **MV 3**

Reflection *Living Water* Carolyn Miller

Prayers of the People

We Share our Gifts and our Lives

Offering

*Offering Anthem *Down by the Riverside*

*Offering prayer

*Parting Hymn *Water Flowing From the Mountain* **MV 87**

*Benediction

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



Hearing assistance is available.
Please ask at the sound booth.

*Riverbend United Church
Welcomes You*

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 and other Church news.

Staff Ministry Team

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

Ministry of the Community

Matthew Schoenhardt, Chair
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