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Exploring Faith, Engaging Community

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## October 2, 2022 - World Wide Communion Day

## We Gather Together

Musical Prelude — Sherry Steele

Greetings & Announcements

Treaty Acknowledgement

Gathering Hymn — *Come In, Come In and Sit Down* VU 395

Prayer of Approach

We gather in Jesus' name as a diverse people.
**We are old and young, of different races and sexualities, of various understandings of our relationships to God.**
We gather with diverse hopes and needs, skills and achievements, relationships and families.
**Together we are the people of God, called to faithfulness and action in accord with the gifts each of us has been given.**
May God help guide us in our worship
**So that we will be faithful in our daily living. Amen**

Children's Time — Receiving Communion, Part of the Family

Communion Hymn — *We Gather Here* VU 469

## Communion

Prayer of Confession

**We are aware of many things we do that we should not, and things we do not do that we should. These we confess. We are also aware that there are many things that are a part of our society that cause us to harm to individuals, groups of people, our environment and things we have not even thought about. We are sorry and pray that our eyes may be opened that we might see such wrongs and work to create change for good. We also confess to you in silence. Hear these confessions now.**

Assurance of Pardon

As caught up as we are in the challenges of being faithful people, we know we fall short. However, we know that God through Christ has forgiven and empowered us to be children of God in the world. **Thanks be to God.**

Breaking of the Bread
Pouring of the Cup
Receiving the Bread and Wine
Prayer
Post Communion Hymn — *Let us Tongues and Talents Employ VU 468*

## We Hear and Reflect

Scripture Lesson — 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Reflection — Rev. Tom Sawyer

Choir Anthem

## We Respond

Offertory
Joys and Sorrows
Prayer

*Closing Hymn — *Go Make a Difference* MV 209

*Spoken Benediction

*Postlude — Sherry Steele

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***MV** refers to the paper-bound hymnal called More Voices*
***VU** refers to the red hardback hymnal called Voices United*

***Welcome to worship today!***
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