

Forest Hill United Church
'open doors, open hearts, open minds'
June 16/Trinity Sunday

Prelude:

Lighting of the Christ Candle

**Introit: Here I Am, Lord chorus

VU 509

Welcome & Church News

Call to Worship:

One: Let's sing our hearts out to God.

All: Let's say thanks in God's holy name.

One: When we yell for help,

All: God is there to rescue us.

One: God listens to us and is always there for us.

All: We can't keep quiet –we can't say thank you enough..

Gathering Prayer (said by all in unison)

O God of love and transformation,

Nothing is impossible for you.

You can bring new ways of living,

New ways of seeing,

New ways of hoping,

New ways of being.

Today we worship You in song and in prayer.

Every day we worship You by sharing your love,

The love You share with us we share with others.

Be with us as we worship and prepare for the summer season. Amen

**Opening Hymn: I Can Feel You Near Me God

MV 48

Prayer that Jesus Taught:

VU 916 A Translation (first on page)

Words from Our Bible:

One: This is the Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God!

Puppet Play: Follow Me (or how Jesus saved the lives of many fish)

**Hymn of Reflection: I am a Rainbow

Presentation of Our Gifts

The offering will now be received.

**Offering Verse:

Christ Has No Body Now but Yours verse 4 MV 171

**Prayer After Giving

Adapted from a prayer written by Allan Warren for "The Gathering", 2001

Creator God,

You are within us and around us,

Above us and below us.

May You bless us as You bless these gifts,

Now and forevermore,

Amen.

Prayers of Our Community

Adapted from a prayer written by Jaymie Derden for State Street UMC, Bristol, VA. <
<https://www.rotation.org/topic/art-workshop-lessons-and-ideas-for-trial-and-crucifixion>>

Dear Lord,

Thank you for the world around us.

Thank you for the new life that we see in the spring.

As we learn about the sacrifices you made for each of us,

help us to recognize all of the blessings in our lives.

Amen.

**Closing Hymn: Go, Make a Diff'rence

MV 209

**Commissioning and Benediction

From Seasons of the Spirit, ages 6-8 curriculum, 8 June 2003

Breath of God, blow through us.

(blow gently)

Spirit of God, live in us. (Stretch arms up as if to receive and then bring them back across chest in a hug)

Wind of God, change us. (Move arms open wide at sides)

Make us new. (Move hands as if fashioning a small ball of clay)

Amen (Put hands together in traditional prayer posture)

Have a great summer.

We look forward to hearing
about all your adventures.