

Forest Hill United Church  
'open doors, open hearts, open minds'



Transfiguration Sunday  
February 27, 2022 10 a.m.



WELCOME to worship!

## Gathering

Prelude:

Welcome, Acknowledgement & Announcements:

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit: Gather Us In MV 7

**Gather us in, ground us in you.  
Gather us in, ground us in you.  
Gather us in, gather us in,  
ground us, ground us in you.**

Call to Worship:

One: We gather in the love of God to worship, hoping to find some new way of knowing our God.

**All: We come seeking you, O God.**

One: We gather in the love and fellowship of one another, offering our friendship, care, and support, ready to serve.

**All: We come seeking you, O Jesus.**

One: We gather in awe of a holy, loving presence, yearning for an experience beyond ourselves.

**All: We come seeking you, Holy Spirit.**

One: Come now, worship and experience the Holy, alive in the presence of God, working in Christ Jesus and living in the mystery of the Holy Spirit.

From Gathering A/C/E/ 2017-2018 p. 29

Gathering Prayer: (All)

**O God, we give you thanks for all the ways that you illumine our lives, from the beam of your wisdom that shines forth from scripture and prayer to the occasional mountaintop experiences where we can bask in your glory. In the sparkle of care in our loved ones' eyes to the bright smile of greeting from a stranger, your love radiates out to us. Set us aglow for others with your wisdom, love, and glory. Amen.**

From Gathering A/C/E 2017-2018 p. 50

Opening Hymn: Let Us Build a House MV 1

Intergenerational Time: Goldenrod and Purple Asters

Prayer that Jesus Taught: A Paraphrase – VU p. 916

**Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver  
Source of all that is and that shall be.  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven!  
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!  
The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.  
With the bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.  
From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.  
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,  
Now and forever.  
Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: When Morning Gilds the Skies VU 339

*Young at heart leave for Church School after first verse.*

Prayer of Confession:

**O God, there are times when we live under clouds, trudging in the ruts of our own making, unable to lift up our eyes, to see anything beyond our day-to-day stressful busyness. Open our eyes and our hearts and renew our understanding of your light shining in Jesus so that we may share it with others and restore your hope in this broken world.**

Adapted from Gathering Pentecost 1, 2013 p. 31

(a time of silent prayer)

Words of Assurance:

## Exploring

Words from Our Bible:

Exodus 34: 29 – 35

Psalms 99 (VU p. 819)

Luke 9: 28-36

One: In this is the word of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God**

Reflection: “Everyday acts of practical reverence”

Special Music: O Jesus I Have Promised VU 120

## Responding

Presentation of our Gifts

Sung Response: Spirit, Open My Heart MV 79

**Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.**

**As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving,**

**Spirit, open my heart.**

Prayers of Our Community:

Response: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying VU 400

**Lord, listen to your children praying,**

**Lord, send your Spirit in this place;**

**Lord, listen to your children praying,**

**send us love, send us power, send us grace!**

Closing Hymn: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise VU 264

Sharing the Light:

Benediction

Postlude:

## Land Acknowledgment

At Forest Hill United Church, we acknowledge that our church is built on ancestral, traditional and unceded Wolastoqey land.

## Declaration of a Safe Place

Forest Hill United Church is a safe place for people to gather, regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, family status, sexual orientation and gender identity.

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