



YOUR SEASON TO MANIFEST...

The baptized ones are liberated and transformed

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THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

APPROACHED TO GOD

Before the service, meditate and speak to God. During the service let God speak to you. After the service talk to each other and the wider community about God.

KEYS

Words printed in **ALL CAPS & bold** are spoken or sung by everyone.

At places marked with the “†,” you are invited to stand, as you are able.

Functionaries

On Piano

- Leona Harrison

Singer(s)

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Scripture Reading

- Myrna Robinson

Minutes for Mission

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Order of Worship

CENTERING SONG: Spirit of Life VU #381

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENT

CANDLE LIGHTING

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

One: We have come once again to be in the presence of the baptismal waters, so that we may be reminded that God's love seeps into our lives, washed away our fears, and pour forth for all people. Come let us worship!

OPENING PRAYER

One: God we ask that you remind us that you are the source of all that gives us life:

Water, earth, warmth, wind.

We take these next moments to be still and breathe in your spirit.

As you quiet your heart, notice the depth and length of your breath. Inhale and exhale.

As you inhale concentrate on the notion of breathing in grace the way we breath in oxygen.

As you exhale imagine that you can let go of the one thing that you wish to give to God.

Each time you exhale make it your intention to offer yourself, your life to God a little at a time.

Pause for a time of still silence

HYMN: Spirit God, Be Our Breath MV #150

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Spirit of forgiveness, we breath in the fresh scent of your love. We accept you into the depth of our bodies to awaken our desire for change and displace our selfish impulses.

People: God in spirit, you are all around and within us now. Let us exhale and release whatever we hold within that will keep us from filling our lungs and lives with your love.

ASSURANCE

As surely as you continue to draw breath, you can trust that god is entering into your life, one breath at a time, one yawn, one cloud, one breeze at a time.

In the air, as close as the air on your skin and in your body, is where forgiveness resides.

ALL: Thank you God! Amen

SCRIPTURE READINGS

- Mark 1:4 – 11

THE REFLECTION

HYMN: Will You Come and Follow Me VU #567

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

At each long pause our, you are invited to offer a prayer of joys, concerns or requested prayers.

One: God speaks as we speak to one another of our joy and sorrow. God moves as we draw closer to one another.

May we speak aloud of love, and pain, offering up the names or circumstances that remind us that we belong to one another and God.

Time of silence for the community wherever gathered to fill with their prayers.

One: May we remember that we can give and receive, bless and be blessed as we come near the cleansing waters, kiss away tears and drink from the fountain of grace. Amen.

THANK YOU & BLESSING

One: And now we share in a coming practice of blessing one another. Please join me as the words of blessing become familiar. We will repeat it twice.

**ALL: We may fail; God does not.
We may end; God does not
Bless and be blessed. Amen**

CLOSING: Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New MV #115



THANK YOUS & CREDITS

Thank you for participating in today's worship, I pray you have been greatly blessed.

Remember, for those we are unable to connect with any reason; call to buoy up their spirits, and/or pray for them and entrust them to the care of the divine.

Due to physical distancing caused by the Corona Virus, COVID 19, all church activities that require physical contact are suspended until further notice.

GIFTS & OFFERINGS

You may send us your gifts & offerings using the information below:

- Zion United Church @ to zionunitedarmstrongbc@gmail.com
- St. Andrew's @ standrewsunitedenderbybc@gmail.com
- Mission & Service Link: <https://www.united-church.ca/community-faith/get-involved/giving-opportunities>

Those of you who are on PAR and those who mailed in the gifts and offerings thank you.

We are always happy to hear your comments and queries. If you have prayer requests, you may use our social media message tabs or email them to ministerfranklyn@gmail.com

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