

SouthWest United Church
September 11, 2022 - 14th Sunday in Pentecost

Welcome

Gathering: MV 1 Let Us Build a House (vs 1,2,4)

Welcoming the Light

In times of change and confusion, **we need a source of unwavering light.** In times of transition and change, **we need a light to show us the way.** May the light of Christ be this light for every one of us. **May it shine in our hearts today and always.**

Call to worship

Imagine...a place where all are welcome **and everyone hears the sound of their name.** Imagine...everyone having enough food and water **and a home free of hatred and fear.**

Imagine...a place where creativity is valued **and the spirit is nurtured in love.** Imagine...just imagine this is that place.

With one voice, one joy, one faith, one love we worship God together. **All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place (MV 1, refrain)*

Opening prayer

Creator of all that is, let us keep space for your Holy Presence. Let us still ourselves and quiet our minds. We are called to hold Sabbath on this day. Spirit, move in and through us in tranquility and peace. In the name of the one who knows and loves us, let us rest and worship and pray together. Amen.

Hymn: VU 324 Jesus, Come to Our Hearts

Prayers for Grace and Transformation/Words of

Affirmation In the depth of our separation, the vast expanse of our isolation and the sharp division of our

fragmented lives, we are assured by the one who created us that we are forgiven and loved unconditionally. Thanks be to God. Amen
The Peace

Baptism – (insert)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Psalm 127 VU pg. 851

Luke 12: 32-34

* *How Deep the Peace (MV 95)*

Reflection

Treasures of the Heart

Hymn: VU 672 Take Time to be Holy

Invitation to the Offering/Doxology –
Offertory Prayer

Holy One, may our hearts be filled with praise for all that has been given in love, whether by us or for us. Amen

Announcements

Prayers of the people/Lords Prayer

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!

Extinguish the Candle

Blessing

Hymn: VU 352 I Danced in The Morning vs.1,4,5

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³² "Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will never fail, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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