

Our Response

Reflection Scott Chobotar (*Guest Speaker*)

Hymn “Come Let Us Sing A Wonderful Love” VU 574

Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer

We Are Sent Forth

Closing Hymn “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee” VU 560

Commissioning (*please remain standing, if comfortable*)

All: God, You have called us into being
through love.
You have joined us to one another
in love.
How good and pleasant it is
When your people dwell together in unity.

Congregational Response Cliff Barrows

“May God’s blessing surround you each day,
as you trust God and walk in his way.
May God’s presence within
guard and keep you from sin.
Go in peace, go in joy, go in love,
Go in peace, go in joy, go in love.

The Benediction (*...worship leader*)

One: Go in the peace of Christ to love and serve the Lord.

Three-Fold Amen

Postlude

(The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be shared Next week)

Steveston United Church
Sunday August 6, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.
Rev. Brenda Miller - (church) 604-277-0508



We Gather As God’s People

Welcome / Church Life Reminders & Celebrations

Congregational Prayer Requests

Call to Worship (*please stand*)

One: We meet you here, Lord
at the intersection of love and faithfulness.

**All: Here prayer and praise join hands,
scripture is embraced,
and our voices unite in hymns to you.**

One: Speak tenderly to our hearts in this hour of worship,
God of all Creation, and show us the path to peace. Amen.

Opening Hymn “This Is The Day” VU 412

We Present Our Offering

Prayer of Approach

**All: We draw near to you, understanding God; help us not to covet yesterday but to dream of a new tomorrow, so that all might be welcome in your community of faith. We look upon you, tender God, the God who keeps loving us despite our failures; we bow our hearts and minds in humility, trusting in your forgiveness, leaning on your promise of welcome.
May it be so. Amen.**

Lighting the Christ Candle

All: "Let the Light of Christ fill this space. Amen."

Sharing the Peace of Christ *(please remain seated)*

One: In God's justice is our peace,
Christ calls us to live in unity with one another;
... the peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

All Ages Learning Together (children)

Prayer of Confession

All: God, You call us to step out in faith, to place our lives in Your hands, and to wholeheartedly commit to following You. We confess that we find this difficult to do. It is not always easy to follow where You lead, to turn away from our own personal wants and desires, to let go of our safety nets and trust that You will provide for us in all things. Forgive us when we doubt You, God.

Words of Assurance *(...worship leader)*

Offering Invitation *(...worship leader)*

One: Remember the words of Jesus who said,
"Freely you have received, and so too, you shall freely give."

Offering Refrain

VU 541

**"Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God all creatures high and low;
give thanks to God in love made known:
Creator, Word and Spirit One. Amen."**

Prayer of Dedication *(please remain standing)*

**All: In the name and in the Spirit of Jesus,
we bring these gifts to you, O God.
Help us to give them
with a ready mind, a willing spirit,
and a joyful heart. Amen.**

Anthem TBA

We Listen For God's Word

Hebrew Scripture Genesis 32:22-31

(Pew Bible p. 26)

Christian Scripture Matthew 14:13-21

(pew Bible p. 796)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Congregational Response

VU 37

"Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia.
Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, hallelujah, hallelujah!"