

Our Response

Reflection Heidi Morgan (*Guest Speaker*)

Hymn “*Amazing Grace*” VU 266

Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer

We Are Sent Forth

Closing Hymn “*All the Way My Saviour Leads Me*” VU 365

Commissioning (*please remain standing, if comfortable*)

All: As we go out, let us give thanks to God,
whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
We will praise God from generation to generation,
in the church, and in Christ.

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: May the grace of Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

Three-Fold Amen

Postlude

Steveston United Church
Sunday July 30, 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

One: We gather in this place,

All: familiar to some of us, perhaps new to others,
seeking to find meaning in our lives,
looking for the “more than” the familiar.

One: So, come, let us gather in community as we continue
the journey.

All: Come, and let us worship God!

Opening Hymn “*How Great Thou Art*”

VU 238

Prayer of Approach

**All: O most wonderful God,
we thank you for the glorious world around us.
Inspired by this time of worship,
we promise to make some of your goodness our own,
and take it to the suffering and needy world
and make a difference through our prayers and actions.
Make it 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: O God, we ask for living water,
but dip our buckets in old wells.
We offer dried crusts and stale water, while complaining
that no one will come to our banquet.
Forgive us, O God, for our stale words, stale prayers,
and stale dreams.
Forgive us O God, for turning up our noses at your
holy bread which brings new life.**

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

One: God the Creator brings you new life,
blesses, and frees you.
Live your life in the Spirit of Jesus,
and know that you are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

We Present Our Offering

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

Prayer for Illumination *(...worship leader)*

Hebrew Scripture Genesis 29:15-28 (pew Bible p. 22)
Christian Scripture Matthew 25:34-40 (pew Bible p. 807)

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!"