

Steveston United Church

July 4, 2021

10:00am



Welcome

...to our first worship service Back Inside!

We are blessed to be back together in this sacred space. God never left us, but it feels right that we should be together again. Hallelujah!

Provincial Health Guidelines have been relaxed somewhat, but we will follow them for the next couple of weeks.

Masks and sanitizer will be on the table as you come in. (and a plate for your offering.) It's important that we continue to take care of ourselves, and each other, as places of business begin to open again. We've decided there won't be any singing, just yet. Brenda

Church Life (Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries and Prayer Requests)

Lighting the Christ Candle

All: "Let the light of Christ fill this space,
and every other space! Amen!"

Request Your Favourite Hymn (2 only, please)

We Welcome One Another in the Name of Christ:

One: We gather in God's creation.

We gather in the presence of God's Spirit.

All: God's Spirit is life and peace.

One: The Spirit brings hope out of despair,
and even out of death.

All: Through God's Spirit, we discover life.

One: God's Spirit dwells within us.

All: We come to worship in the presence of
God's Spirit.

We come into this holy place once again.
Thanks be to God.

Opening Hymn "This is the Day" VU 412

Opening Prayer

All: Loving God, today we come.

Today we come to hear the challenge your
word provides, and to offer our response.

This community of faith calls us and
encourages our participation. In the
certainty that you are with us no matter
how difficult the journey, you encourage
our faithfulness.

In following the compassionate example of
Jesus, you encourage our discipleship.
Inspire us by your Holy Spirit. Amen.

We Hear God's Word

Mark 6:1-13

"The word of God for the people of God."

"Thanks be to God."

Special Music

Reflection

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

VU 575

Commissioning

All: Outside these doors are those who wonder
what we have gained by being here today.
Has it been belief? Has it been faith?
Has been more doubt? Or maybe it's just a
sense of relief.

Do we sense the Risen Christ here?

We will go back out to share what we already knew.

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

Three Fold Amen