

ST. DAVID'S UNITED CHURCH



God Within

*Closer than a touch on your skin,
deeper than a breath you draw in,
stronger than a hurricane wind,
is the dwelling of God within.*

Growing and Deepening our Spiritual Lives in an Affirming and
Inclusive community

Welcome to St. David's United Church

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We Gather as a Christ Infused Community of Faith

Welcome! Whether you are worshipping with us today for the first time or you have been here for longer than you can remember, you are embraced and accepted. Regardless of your age, stage, gender identity, sexual orientation, or how great or small you feel your faith is, we each bring something of ourselves to this sacred place. God, through us, welcomes each of you to worship.

The Creation and Affirming candles have been lit to affirm that all humanity and creation must be respected and valued. The Treaty 7 and Metis Region 3 candle has been lit to show respect for the land and to affirm our continued commitment to live into right relations with our indigenous brothers and sisters.

PRELUDE *Improvisation*

WELCOME

NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY AND GREETING

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

As we light this candle, may we find the light of the Christ shining among us and Spirit weaving love within, around and beyond us. As the day unfolds, may the love of God guide our thoughts, our words, our hearts, our intent and our actions. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the presence of God who has created and is creating

We come with excitement and expectation!

In the presence of God who has come in Jesus our Christ

We come with excitement and hope!

In the presence of God who works in us and others by the Spirit

We come in amazement and joy!

HYMN

Dance with the Spirit

MV #156

Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin',
walk with the Spirit through-out the long day.
Work and hope for the new life aborn-in',
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.

Move with the Spirit early in the mornin',
move with the Spirit through-out the long day.
Work and hope for the new life aborn-in',
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.

Sing with the Spirit early in the mornin',
sing with the Spirit through-out the long day.
Work and hope for the new life aborn-in',
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.

GATHERING PRAYER

We gather here in your awesome presence, oh God. You welcome all people and listen to the cries of your children. Help us to feel your presence not only in this place but everywhere we go, that in all times and all places we might honor you in all we do. Amen.

We hear the Wisdom of God...

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69

SOLO *The Holy City* *S. Adams & F.E. Weatherly*

REFLECTION *Where Else Would We Go?*

HYMN *The Spring Has Come* **VU# 187**

- 1 The spring has come, let all the church be part of it!
 The world has changed, and God is at the heart of it!
 New light, new day, new colour after winter grey.
 New light, new day,
 the spring has come, let all the church be part of it!

- 2 The sun is warm, let all God's children play in it!
 The world expands, let's spread the Gospel way in it!
 New leaf, new thrust, new greening for the love of Christ.
 New leaf, new thrust,
 the sun is warm, let all God's children play in it!

- 3 The spring has come, new people are the flowers of it.
 Through wind and rain, new life is in the showers of it.
 New bud, new shoot, new hope will bear the Spirit's fruit.
 New bud, new shoot,
 the spring has come, new people are the flowers of it!

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY *Panis Angelicus* **C. Franck**

RECEPTION OF OFFERING/DEDICATION HYMN 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

PRAYER SONG In the Quiet Curve of Evening VU# 278

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORDS PRAYER VU #959

Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done
 on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil
for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
 now and forever.

...and we are blessed.

BLESSING

HYMN I Am the Light of the World VU #87
'I am the light of the world!
You people come and follow me!
If you follow and love you'll learn the mystery
of what you were meant to do and be.

1 When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,

when the kings and the shepherds have found
their way home,
the work of Christmas is begun: R

2 To find the lost and lonely one,
to heal the broken soul with love,
to feed the hungry children with warmth
and good food,
to feel the earth below, the sky above! R

3 To free the prisoner from all chains,
to make the powerful care,
to rebuild the nations with strength of good will,
to see God's children everywhere! R

4 To bring hope to every task you do,
to dance at a baby's new birth,
to make music in an old person's heart,
and sing to the colours of the earth! R

POSTLUDE *Improvisation*

<p>GROWING AND DEEPENING OUR LIVES THROUGH WORSHIP AND SPIRITUAL NURTURE Sunday – August 19</p>
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WELCOME TO ST. DAVID'S UNITED CHURCH

We hope that your heart is touched, your faith inspired and your spiritual life deepened in this gathering time and worship experience. If you are visiting for the first time please know that you are welcome, you are valued, and you enhance this sacred place by your presence.

If you wish to know more about St. David's, please fill in a "Response Card" found at the back of the Sanctuary and place it in the box or the offering plate.

Thank you for making this a scent free environment. It is a joy to have you with us today, please be welcomed and embraced. Please join us following worship in the TM room for conversation, coffee/tea and fellowship. Washrooms are opposite the front entrance and in the basement.

OFFERING ENVELOPES are available in the Voices United hymn book, at the back of the church, or from an usher. If you would like to have contribution envelopes, please contact the office. Tax receipts are issued at the end of the year for all identified donations and offerings. If you give through PAR, PAR cards are available from the ushers to be placed on the offering plate as a symbol of your offering given through PAR.

PRAYER CONCERNS The prayer chain is committed to praying for you in times of crisis for a period of 30 days. Please contact the office or one of the ministers.

FLOWERS enhance our church services each Sunday. Remember loved or joyous occasions all year with donations to the flower fund. Dedications are placed in the worship folder.

If anyone has celebrations or events they wish to have acknowledged in the worship folder or newsletter, please contact the office administrator at the church office at 403 284-2276 or admin@sduc.ca no later than Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

PASTORAL CARE *If you have any pastoral concerns about yourself or others please contact Peggy McDonagh at the church office. If you know someone who is in long term care, in hospital or is in need of a visit, please contact the office.*

We need your help ... in a congregation the size of St. David's it can be difficult to know who has not been present in worship for some time. If you are aware of someone you have not seen for a while please contact the office or contact the people and let them know that they are missed. As a

congregation, we all have to be aware of one another and acknowledge those absent to ensure everyone feels cared for and valued. Let us all do our part to keep connected.

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THANKS TO THOSE ASSISTING WITH OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP EXPERIENCE

Greeters.....	August Sacred Service Team
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Counters.....	Kerry Duncan McCartney, Bob Clare
Reader.....	Wendy Dey
Projection.....	PSALT Team
Sunday Receptionist.....	Bertha Hancock
Guest Musician	Graham Fast - Baritone

ST. DAVID'S WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sun August 12	10:00 am 11:00 am 2:30 pm	Sunday Worship – Sanctuary Refreshments – TM Room Iglesia Ni Cristo Church – Sanctuary & TM Room
Mon. Aug 13	12:30	Best Beginnings – Robertson Hall
Tues. Aug 14	6:00 pm	Iglesia Ni Cristo Church of Christ – Sanctuary & TM Room
Wed. Aug 15	9:30 am	Qigong – TM Room
Thurs. Aug 16		No Events
Fri. Aug 17		No Events
Sat. Aug 18	6:00 pm	True Light Church – Robertson Hall
Aug 19	10:00 am 11:00 am 2:30 pm	Sunday Worship – Sanctuary Refreshments – TM Room Iglesia Ni Cristo Church – Sanctuary & TM Room

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