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Communion Sunday
The 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

We Gather Together

Prelude

Andrew Sims

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

Dance With the Spirit

MV 156

Call to Worship

We gather at the Table of Christ,
conscious of those who first walked upon this land.

**We are committed to honouring our treaty with
the Treaty Six nations and the Métis people.**

We gather as people who are hungry for meaning,
thirsty for life, yearning to be thoughtful and
authentic.

**We come with questions, with joy, with sorrow,
bringing our human journeys to this time of
worship.**

Opening Prayer

**God of the ancient and the new, we come today
to worship with our sisters and brothers on the
journey. We come to explore our faith and to
deepen it. We come to shift our focus to your
way of wholeness. May we grow as renewed and
renewing followers of Jesus. Amen.**

*Opening Hymn

Come In, Come In and Sit Down vss. 1-3 VU 395

Children's Time

*Children's Hymn

River vss. 1-2

MV 3

We Listen for God's Ongoing Word

Scripture Readings

Reader: Geoff Halferdahl
Psalm 139: (Parts 1 and 2)
Matthew 16: 21-26

VU 861

Anthem

My Hope is in The Lord (Marten)
Oboe: Christine Guptil

Reflection

"Born Anew"

V. Oden and Irene Meglis

Offering Our Gifts

We Share In Communion

*Communion Hymn

I Come With Joy

VU 477

*This is a new hymn to us. The Choir will lead; please feel free to sing
as you are comfortable.*

The Invitation

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks and praise.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The minister goes on, remembering the story.

...And so with your people on earth and all the company
of heaven, we join the song of all creation to proclaim your
goodness:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessing the Bread and the Cup

The Lord's Prayer

Sharing in Communion

Please come forward as able down the centre aisle, receive the bread and dip it in the cup then return to your seat by the outside aisle. We use grape juice. Gluten free bread is available in the centre station. If you prefer to be served in your seat, please lift a hand when the servers come toward you.

We Go Forth to Serve

Benediction

We have been invited to dig deeper into the teachings of Jesus.

We have been invited to meet God in our hearts.

May we go from this place renewed and renewing
Pilgrims on the journey of faith.

*Parting Hymn

We Are Pilgrims vss. 1-4

VU 595

*Postlude

Andrew Sims

**denotes you are invited to stand as you are able and inclined*

*Thank you to Peggy Robinson
for preparing today's Communion elements.*

*Thank you to today's Communion Servers:
Rev. Tom Sawyer, Dr. Joanne Olson, Peggy Robinson,
Irene Meglis, Geoff Halferdahl*

Welcome to Riverbend United Church!
If you are new with us, we would love to meet you after worship.