

WELCOME TO GRACE UNITED CHURCH

April 29, 2018

Bold printed text indicates congregational responses.

VU = Voices United Hymnbook MV = More Voices Hymnbook

Today's Reader: Donna Gaasenbeek

Today's Ushers: Ross, Garrett & Blake Walters

CENTRING

PRELUDE

INTROIT "A Rainbow is Dancing" *Kish/Chapman*

SHARING COMMUNITY

HYMN "Let Us Build a House" MV #1

CENTRING WORDS*

I am a child of God,

I am a glimpse of God's new creation.

I am a child of God,

I am a Child of God.

I am an endless prayer,

I am a yearning for contemplation,

I am an endless prayer,

I am an endless prayer.

PRAYER+

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

GIFT OF MUSIC "God Put a Rainbow in the Sky" *Robinson, arr.*

Solo: Doug Tielli Trombone: Heather Saumer

UP FRONT TIME *time for the young and young at heart*

HYMN "Teach Me God to Wonder" VU #299

REVERSE OFFERING

REFLECTING

MINUTE FOR MISSION "Supporting People Entering Ministry"

SCRIPTURE Galatians 3:23-29

VIDEO REFLECTION Rev. Brent Hawkes

"Spirituality & Sexuality: You Can Have Both"

HYMN "Though Ancient Walls" VU #691

RESPONDING

SHARING OUR GIFTS

GIFT OF MUSIC “Finding a Home Here” *Kish*
Solo: Stacey Bell

SUNG RESPONSE “What Can I Do?” MV #191

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**These gifts we offer back to you, O God.
Bless them that they may bring renewed life
to our church, our community, and our world. Amen.**

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

After the words ‘Holy Spirit’ please respond:

“Be with us as we pray.”

HYMN “Draw the Circle Wide” MV #145

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING “With a Vision of Hope” *Kish*

POSTLUDE

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