



Strathmore United Church
May 19, 2019

Fifth Sunday of Easter
Guatemala Sunday

Words of Welcome and announcements:

♪♪ Centering Song: O Radiant Christ, Incarnate Word **VU #84(vs1)**

**O radiant Christ, incarnate Word,
eternal love revealed in time:
come, make your home within our hearts,
that we may dwell in light sublime.**

Call to Worship:

L: Today we gather for worship and work. They go hand in hand. Our financial decisions, our offering to serve the church whether on a working committee or through personal time, treasures and talent, come out of our conviction that Christ has called each of us, all of us to serve, as disciples.

♪♪ Hymn: Come In, Come In and Sit Down **VU #395**

Gathering Prayer:

Faithful God, we thank you for your church, Christ's body of celebration, compassion, and co-operation. We thank you for the variety of people and gifts that come together in your name. Forgive us when we become self-righteous and impatient with one another. Help us to work for the common good. We pray through Christ, our foundation. Amen.

🎵 Hymn: In Christ There Is No East or West **VU#606**

Learning with Children:

Reading the Scripture & Message: **Matthew 25: 31-46**

Transformed through Service---a sermon prepared by
Rev. Ryan Slifka St. Georges United Church
Courtney B.C. (with a few edits)

🎵 Hymn: Open My Eyes, That I May See **VU #371**
We will also light prayer candles at this time

Minute for Mission: Guatemala Highlights

The Offering:

🎵 Sung Dedication: *Your Work, O God, Needs Many Hands* **VU #537**

**Your work, O God, needs many hands
to help you everywhere,
and some there are who cannot serve
unless our gifts we share.**

**Because we love you and your work,
our offering now we make:
be pleased to use it as your own,
we ask for Jesus' sake.**

🎵 Hymn: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying **VU #400**
**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace!**

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer:

♪ Hymn: O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee VU #560

Commissioning and Blessing:

L: Go in peace.

Go in the strength of God.

Go in love. Amen.

Choral Response: May the God of Hope Go with Us VU#424

***May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.***

***May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.***

***Praying, let us work for peace,
singing, share our joy with all,
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.***

Sharing the Peace (if you are not comfortable shaking hands, please use this time in ways that honour your preferences)

✝ *May the peace of Christ be with you
..... and also with you*

Please join us for

***Coffee and Fellowship in the Library after the
service.***