

Strathmore United Church *June 9, 2019*

Pentecost

Words of Welcome and announcements:

Psalm Reading: Psalm 104: 24-34

JJ 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: Like the ancient followers who waited for days in an upstairs, prayer room,

P: we wait before God.

L: and though we wait in faith, we are not certain how God will come to us.

P: And yet we wait, certain that the wait is worthwhile.

L: For, those who waited long age received an outpouring of God's promised Spirit.

P: And so, in faith, we have come to wait before God!

JJ Hymn: All Creatures of Our God and King VU #217

Gathering Prayer:

Loving God you have led each of us here today. Though most of us have heard the story of Pentecost, restore in us the ability to perceive the wonder and the awe of the outpouring of your Spirit upon humankind long ago. Help us hear this familiar story with new ears, that we might depart from this

place with newly discovered zeal, declaring that you are alive in us, your body, the Church. Amen.

JI Hymn: All Things Bright and Beautiful **VU#291**

Learning with Children:

Reading the Scripture & Message: Matthew 6:25-34

Is Hymn: Seek Ye First the Kingdom VU #356

We will also light prayer candles at this time

Minute for Mission:

The Offering:

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.

Prayer of Dedication:

Gracious and loving God, Christ promised that those who believe in you will do the works that he did. We have gathered in this congregation to worship you, and to serve you, and to serve the ministries you have given us in support of our community and the world. Receive our humble offerings as our spiritual worship. May our gifts be used for your glory, as we look toward doing the greater works you promised that we would do in your name. Amen.

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:

JI Hymn: Be Still My Soul **VU #652**

Commissioning and Blessing:

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.