

**Sunday, May 9, 2021  
Easter Six, Mother's Day**

**Welcome – Bienvenue**

***Gathering: Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there, I am there (MV 14)***

**Candle**

**As we light this candle, let the light remind us of the love which dwells within our hearts, and that our hearts are connected with God, with our families, with our communities and with our universal families. May the flame of Christ's light and love find and welcome every Spirit. Amen.**

**Call to Worship-Appel à la prière**

God gathers us as God's chosen people. We abide in God's love. **We enter worship with glad hearts, eager to love and serve God.** Christ has loved us completely and fully. We abide in Christ's love. **We praise the maker of heaven and earth, whose love spreads to all of creation.** Creation is a gift to all, and we are entrusted to care for the good earth. Creation abides in our love. **We honour the light, the dark, and the hues between. God makes all beautiful.** Life in its fullness holds great joy and great pain. We are witnesses to the depth of love that fills our days. **We abide in the joy of love.**

**Opening Prayer / Prière**

**God of many blessings, we give thanks for this day. We give thanks for all that life holds. We give you thanks for your steadfast love, for your faithfulness, for your justice. We gather to worship you, share our joy, and receive your love. Be with us now and always. Amen.**

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

**Prayers for Grace & Transformation  
Words of Assurance/ Mots d'assurance**

**The Peace/La paix**

**Scripture**

**Prayer for Illumination/Prière pour l'illumination  
We Listen – Nous écoutons**

Psalm  
Gospel

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John 15: 9-17

***Acclamation: Behold, behold, I make all things new, beginning with you and starting from today. Behold, behold, I make all things new, my promise is true, for I am Christ the way (MV 115)***

**Reflection**

**Hymn: MV 145 Draw the Circle Wide**

**Invitation to the offering/Invitation à l'offrande  
Offertory Praver-Prière d'Offrande**

**Announcements**

**Prayers of Hope/Prières universelles  
Lord's Prayer/La prière du Seigneur**

***Response: Jesus loves me this I know (VU 365)***

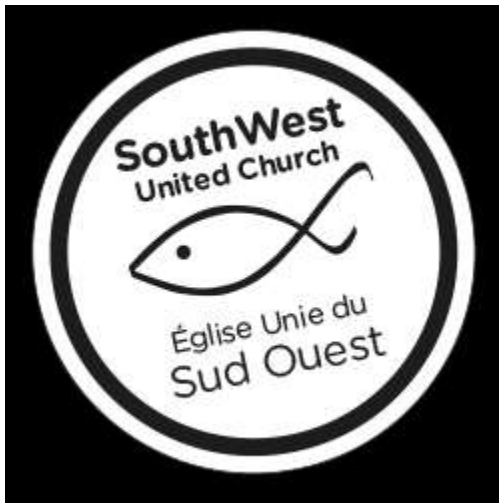
**Extinguishing the Candle**

**Benediction/Bénédiction/Commissioning**

**Hymn: VU 288 Great is Thy Faithfulness**

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