

Closing Hymn 556 (VU):

Would you bless our homes and families,
source of life who calls us here;
in our world of stress and tension
teach us love that conquers fear.
Help us learn to love each other
with a love that constant stays;
teach us when we face our troubles,
love's expressed in many ways.

When our way is undemanding,
let us use the time that's ours
to delight in simple pleasures,
sharing joys in gentle hours.
When our way is anxious walking
and a heavy path we plod,
teach us trust in one another
and in you, our gracious God.

Let us reach beyond the boundaries
of our daily thought and care
till the family you have chosen
spills its love out everywhere.
Help us learn to love each other
with a love that constant stays;
teach us when we face our troubles
love's expressed in many ways.

Sending Forth and Blessing

Jesus shows us the Way
and we follow.

The Way, the Truth and the Life
are there for us all.

Let us go with blessing of God who has created us,
of Jesus who walks with us, and of the Spirit that guides us.

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

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THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

Pembina Parish

Zion-Calvin & St. Paul's



Easter 5

Christian Family Sunday

May 10th, 2020

Welcome and Sharing

Lighting of the Christ candle and Rainbow candle

Call to Worship

On this Christian Family Sunday
we remember that Jesus called us family:
siblings, mothers, fathers, children.
Today we worship in music and prayer
the One who loves us with a parental love
beyond anything we could ask for or imagine.
Come, let us worship as the family of Christ.

Opening Hymn 226 (VU):

For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
God of all, to you we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon, and stars of light,
God of all, to you we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild,
God of all, to you we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

For each perfect gift sublime
to our race so freely given,
graces human and divine,
flowers of earth and buds of heaven,
God of all, to you we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

Opening prayer

Loving and welcoming God,
we come as a family of faith today:
seeking your presence,
celebrating our faith,

supporting one another,
walking together through change and upheaval.
Be with us, we pray.
Make us aware of your never-ending love and care,
and lead us in the way of Jesus,
that we may live and serve as your joyful people. Amen.

Gospel Reading: John 14: 1 – 14

Faith Reflections

Hymn 661 (VU):

Come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
teach me to walk in your way.
Come to my heart, Lord Jesus;
come to my heart today.
Give me the peace and joy
that only you can bring.
Come to my heart Lord Jesus;
give me a song to sing.

Fill me with love, Lord Jesus;
teach me to walk in your way.
Fill me with love, Lord Jesus;
fill me with love today.
Give me the peace and joy
that only you can bring.
Fill me with love, Lord Jesus,
give me a song to sing.

Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus;
teach me to walk in your way.
Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus;
answer my prayer today.
Give me the peace and joy
that only you can bring.
Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus;
give me a song to sing.

Minute for Mission

The Offering

Prayers for Others and Ourselves

The Lord's Prayer