

Visions United Spirit Gathering

May 22, 2022

Loving Our Neighbours Near and Far

“Ordinary People Called to Do Extraordinary Things”

Stewardship – Called to Be the Church

Our Community Gathers

Gathering Music / Prelude

Welcome

Shawn Redden

God's Doors Are Open to All!

Open Doors · Open Minds · Open Hands · Open Hearts

Visions United seeks to be a safe place for people of all
races, creeds, ages, cultural backgrounds,
sexual orientations and gender identities to worship.

Acknowledgement of Place

Anna Peters

We Focus our Hearts and Minds

Shawn Redden

*“Love your God with all your heart
and with all your soul and with all your mind...
and love your neighbour as yourself.”*

Gathering Words & Lighting of Christ Candle

Anna Peters

Lighting the Peace Candle & Sharing the Peace

Shawn Redden

One: Peace of Christ be with you

All: **And also with you.**

Gathering Prayer *(unison)*

Anna Peters

We are called to share Christ's light and peace.

We pray we may lift up those who are broken,

and offer healing and hope to the lost.

May all see the face of Christ in me, and may I see the face of Christ in others,
as together we seek to serve our neighbour, near and far, in love.

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Sharing Our WOW moments

Shawn Redden

We Listen for Wisdom

Theme Conversation Loving Our Neighbours (2x)

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Love the Lord you God with all your heart,
Love the Lord your God with all your soul.
Love the Lord your God with all your mind.
Love the Lord your God with all that you are.

Children's Space

Stewardship Theme Recap

Shawn Redden

Wisdom Reading Matthew 4:18-22

Glenna Lightfoot

Song MV#113 Jesus Saw Them Fishing (v.1 & refrain, 2x)

Lead: Ainsley MacTavish-Hawkes & Brian Affleck (+guitar)

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Reflection Ordinary People Called to Extraordinary Love

Anna Peters & Glenna Lightfoot

The Story of our Visions Aid Fund – Loving Our Neighbour, Near and Far

Vision Aiders

We Respond with Gratitude and Prayer

Song VU#563 Jesus You Come to the Lakeshore (*omit 4*)

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The Community at Prayer

Shawn Redden

Our Intentional Response

Terry MacTavish-Hawkes

Start Where You Are & Take a Step! – *Introducing our Generosity Ladder*

Why I Give?

Terry MacTavish-Hawkes

An Invitation to Generosity

Offering is brought forward

Dedication of Our Gifts MV#191 What Can I do? (2x)

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Announcements

We Go Forth to Be a Blessing

***Song** VU#567 Will You Come and Follow Me (vs. 1,2&4)

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***Changing the Light & Blessing**

Shawn Redden

Postlude Music for the Journey

Thank You for Joining Us!

May Each of Us Carry the Spirit into the world with us.