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Creation Time One

**Then looking up to heaven, Jesus sighed and said to him,
“Ephatha”, that is, “Be opened”. Mark 7:35**



Prelude

We Gather

♪ Welcoming Song: *Come All You People*

MV 2

Welcome

We are a caring, serving community,
faithfully journeying and trusting in the mystery that is God,
seeking joy, peace and justice for all.

Call to Worship (Don Ubryniw, Emmanuel UC, Peterborough, ON)

This is a place of refuge
a place where we can be together within the Spirit.
But this is not a place where we hide,
because we are called to faithful service.
We pause briefly to refresh our souls
so that we might refresh the soul of Creation.
Let us worship God.

♪ Gathering Hymn: *Come, Let Us Sing*

VU 222

Life and Work of the Congregation

Acknowledgement of First Nation Territories

♪ Centering Hymn: *Spirit of Life*

VU 381

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We light this Christ Candle to bear witness to the light of God
reflected in Jesus the Christ.

**This is the light that shines in the darkness, and the darkness
does not overcome it.**

Like a beacon of light that illuminates the dark fog,

**May this light radiate from our lives illuminating the world
with love, hope, peace and justice.**

Prayer of Approach

A New Creed of The United Church of Canada

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

May the Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.



We Proclaim

Learning Together

♪ *Sung* Response:

Jesus Love Me

VU 365 vs.1

Scripture Reading:

Mark 7:24-37

Reflection: Be Opened!

We Respond to God's Word

♪ Hymn:

When Pain of the World

VU 598

Presenting our Gifts and Offerings:

♪ Offertory Hymn: “*We Give Our Thanks to God*” MV 187 (vs. 1)
Prayer of Dedication

Holy Communion

♪ Communion Hymn: *Bread of Life, Feed My Soul* MV 194 vss 1,2,5

Liturgy:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.



