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The bulletin this week is sponsored by Greg Short with a Happy Birthday Wish today for Christine Short, Aunt to Peter and Lucy and sister to Greg. Though far apart in miles, she is always close to our hearts.

GATHERING

Prelude

Lighting the Worship Candles

Introit 377 VU Holy Spirit Hear Us *(Verses 1 and 2)*

Call to Worship

From far-away places,
from close at hand;
with hearts troubled,
with minds at rest,
welcome your people, Holy One...
..for we come to worship you.
Carrying heavy loads,
travelling light;
walking in fear,
living in faith,
Welcome your people, Holy One...
...for we come to worship you
with all that is good in our lives
with all that hurts and hinders us

with past and present in us
and the future before us.
We come to worship you
and find our way home.

The Prayer of Jesus *page 921*

Hymn 402 VU We Are One

Prayer of Confession
O God of love and compassion...
(sing) 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!

LISTENING

The Life and Work of the Community

Anthem A Lenten Prayer *Echols/Powell*

Learning with Children

Song 395 VU Part of the Family

Hebrew Bible Reading: Joshua 5: 9-12
Responsive Reading: Psalm 32 *page 759*
Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 5: 16-21
Gospel Reading: Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32

Sermon Now That the Party is Over

RESPONDING

Hymn 460 VU All Who Hunger

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation

Passing the Peace *page 5 Communion Booklet*

Bringing Forward the Gifts *Doxology Tune: 542 VU*

These Lenten gifts we bring, our living faith express
We offer them most lovingly, and thus our hearts are blessed.
O loving God, receive these gifts we gladly give
That show our faith and hope and trust; your way we seek to live.

The Great Thanksgiving *pg 5 continued*

Breaking the Bread, Pouring the Wine

Eating and Drinking the Bread and Wine

Prayer after Communion *pg 8*

Hymn 468 VU Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

Blessing and Sending Forth

Arms opened wide to receive us,
love given freely to re-shape us,
forgiveness generously shared to redeem us.

Go into the world in peace and in joy
to journey again with God.
The blessing of God Creator, Redeemer,
and Holy Spirit be yours. **Amen.**

Choral Response 964 VU Go Now In Peace

Go now in peace, go now in peace
May the love of God surround you,
Everywhere, everywhere, you may go.