

March 3rd, 2024
Summerland United Church
Lent 3: What are you Up to? “Raise Up”

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Prelude

Welcome & Land Acknowledgement

Stepping up to the Threshold

We Sing: You Raise Me Up, *verse 1 and chorus*

Opening Prayer

**God of restoration and rebuilding,
we are here today seeking resurrection and
renewal
for our tired and worn-out bodies
and the body of this community.
In this moment of quiet, we lift up to you
those things we'd like to give up for good...
for the sake of The Good.**

Selah Moment

In the name of Christ, we are forgiven.
**In the name of Christ, we are forgiven.
Glory to God, Amen!**

We Sing: You Raise Me Up, *chorus*

The Peace:

One: The Peace of Christ be with you
All: And also with you

We Sing: VU 333 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

What's Up? Time with Children

The Word Uplifts: John 2: 13-22

Reader: May God bless our understanding of these
sacred words.

All: Thanks be to God.

Reflection: Raise Up

We Sing: VU 117 Jesus Christ is Waiting

Communion

*Please repeat after me when you hear the words throughout
our communion liturgy.*

Let our prayers rise up as an offering to you:

All: Let our prayers rise up as an offering to you.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: ...in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim
the mystery of faith.

**Christ our Lord has died;
and Christ is now risen.
Our lifted hearts proclaim,
"Christ will come to us again."**

Elements are Served

Prayer after Communion

Let my prayer rise up
like incense before you,

the lifting up of my hands
as an offering to you.

Sustained and nourished by your holy Spirit,
God, may we walk into the world ready and willing
To get up to something good in your holy name.

Let our prayers rise up as an offering to you:

All: Let our prayers rise up as an offering to you.

We Sing: MV 130 Rise Up, Rise Up

Offering: *Gift Card fundraiser orders forms now available:
Gardenworks, Save-on Foods and Nesters*

Offering Prayer

Revolutionary God, we share this portion of our
resources today not as those looking to turn a profit or
to amass wealth, but as stewards of your gifts —
along with our time, talents, and unique passions —
charged with the responsibility and the desire to put
them to use in your name.

Announcements

Blessing

...When someone asks you, “What are you up to?” you can
respond,

“With God’s help, I’m up to something good!”

Let the people say, Amen!

Amen!

We Sing: MV 196 We Will Take What You Offer

Postlude

***Announcement Summary Full announcements in our
weekly email***

The Annual Report is now available. Print and digital
copies are available.

March 10 AGM, after service. Lunch will be served. The sign-up sheet is at the back of the sanctuary.

Sandwiches and PIE!

Honouring PIE Day: Public, Intentional and Explicit inclusion of BIPOC and 2sLGBTQIA+ communities in the United Church of Canada: pieday.ca

March 11 10:30 am Service at Summerland Seniors Village. Volunteers welcome. Contact Anne.

March 11 – 18 Anne will be away in Halifax to present her Graduate Project at The Atlantic School of Theology. See the email for details on how you can attend the Live Stream. For Pastoral Care Emergencies please contact the Office.

March 17 Lent 5 'Lift Up' with Rev. Paul James presiding.

March 29, 10 am Good Friday Service. "Show Up"

March 31, 10 am Easter Sunday Service. "Look Up"

Sign up to be a part of Sunday mornings. Fill in the form at the back of the sanctuary or email Please let Laurel know if you will be a greeter, an usher, read scripture, or serve communion. summerlanduc@shaw.ca

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