Mission and Service Moment

**Presentation of our Gifts and Offerings** 

Offertory

Ken Dalgleish

\*Doxology VU # 958

\*Prayer of Dedication

Loving Creator, you have given us songs, laughter, and joy! You have invited us into this community of faith, which is the source of so many acts of kindness. Take our gifts and bless them so that others may sing, laugh and find their place within this beloved community. For all our relations, may it be so. Amen.

\*Hymn VU# 567

\*Blessing

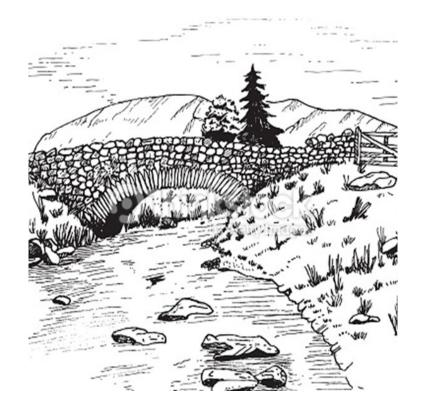
\*Sung Response Keep Your Eyes on the Prize

In honour of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

St. John's United Church

# An Affirming, Fully Inclusive Ministry

January 14th, 2018



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**Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today.** You are invited to come downstairs to share in a cup of coffee or tea and some conversation after the service. If you are visiting with us this morning please sign the guest book in the church entryway.

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We gratefully acknowledge that we are gathered on the unceded territory of the Shishalh Nation.

### Sunday, January 14th, 2018 Second Sunday of Epiphany

(We use two hymn books; VU is Voices United. MV is More Voices) <u>\*You are invited to stand if it is comfortable for you</u>

Prelude

Ken Dalgleish

Welcome, Announcements, Invocation

Choral Introit 'Jesus is Waiting' Brown/Lee

### Lighting the Christ Candle

May the light of the world, **become the light in our hearts**. May the light in our hearts, **become the peace in our world**.

## **Call to Worship**

Something made the hairs stand up on our necks. Was it you, O God? Was it You that we saw swirling over the water?

Was it You that we felt moving our feet?

Was it you that we felt in the beating of our own hearts? Was it you that called our names?

**Come, O God. Come to search us. Come to know us again.** We were knit in your womb. We have tried to count your works.

Come, O God, so that we can hear you calling our names. Here, now, and always.

# \*Hymn VU # 299

## \*Opening Prayer

O Loving Creator, we come to this community to see how we live lives of mutual acceptance, love and support. We come to this community to see the light of Christ that shines among us as we share our journey together, in gratitude, humility, and compassion. We are not called to be perfect, just human, just as you have made us and call us to become. For all our relations, may it be so. Amen.

# \*Sharing the Peace of Christ saying:

May the peace of Christ be with you. And also with you. (with a handshake, a hug, or with hands together in prayer)

### Time for the Children and the Child Within

## Lighting of the Child's Candle

We light this candle to remind us that wherever we go The light of Jesus shines all around us.

### Song VU # 964 Go Now in Peace

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

### **Scripture Readings:**

Lynda Kearns

1 Samuel 3:1-10, John 1:43-48

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Thanks be to God.

<b>Choral Anthem</b>	Come Follow Me	L.Kerby
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**Reflections** May I Ask Who's Calling? Rev. Alan Claassen

A Moment for Silent Reflection

Thoughts, intentions, prayers....

Hymn MV # 161 I have Called You by Your Name

**Pastoral Prayer** 

The Lord's Prayer (sung) VU #959