



Trinity United Church

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You are...Wanted...Included...Affirmed

Sunday, January 19, 2025 - 10:00 AM

Theme: The Innocents

† indicates stand as you are able MV = More Voices
Bold indicates participation by the people VU = Voices United

Core Values: Living Faith - Inclusive Fellowship
Joyful Service – Being Anti-Racist – Affirming All

GATHERING AS COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

WELCOME & TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Hadih, Bundada honzoo, welcome in the name of The Christ.

All: Welcome to this place of worship, situated on the Ancestral and unceded lands of the Lheidli T'enneh people.

Welcome to this place of blessing, this space of grace, and this holy sanctuary.

This place where we discern how to live into the way of Jesus.

All: We gather this morning to share in song, word, and prayer, to publicly, intentionally, and explicitly affirm that we are all an expression of the divine's holy light.

Be welcomed.

All: Be present.

Be a blessing.

LIFE & MINISTRY (Announcements)

THE PEACE OF CHRIST SHARED WITH ALL

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you.

LEARNING AND SPEAKING PEACE – Lheidli Dakelh

Peace of Christ be with you – Dez-ghel nawhulh 'unt'oh

And also with you – Cha nyulh 'unt'oh

† HYMN: *I Am the Light of the World*

VU#87

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

L: In all the pain of the world,
in remembrance of holocaust,
and all we do to others,
our deep-down fears and cultural prejudices,
we make space for the words we do not have.

**M: The fears we carry still,
the pain of what we have done to others,
and in the remembering of them,
we come in honesty,
to gather in worship.**

GATHERING PRAYER (Responsive)

EMBRACING GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE (Responsive)

The season of Epiphany calls us to ponder what changes in our lives might look like, and what new roads we need to travel so that we can return home in safety to thrive and flourish where the Holy has planted us. Even though we hear otherwise, it can be hard to believe, hard to know in our minds and hearts, that change is possible. That hope lives eternal. That God's love and grace for us knows no bounds, no limitations, no exceptions.

It is sometimes hard to hear and believe that God loves us, loves me, with reckless abandonment, yet each of us is loved. Each is valued, wanted, included, and affirmed. Above all else, this is the truth of the gospel. Thanks be to God.

† HYMN: *God Weeps* MV#78

A STORY FOR THE AGES

Lectionary@Home: Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 36; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; & John 2:1-11

FOCUS READINGS: Exodus 1:15-22 and Mark 9:42-48 (NIV)

Reader: In these words and our pondering the Holy becomes known.

Many: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM: *When Jesus Wept*

SERMON: Little Acts of Resistance

HOLY QUIET

† **HYMN:** *I Am a Child of God* **MV#157**

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS, OURSELVES, AND THE WORLD

BEING THE CHURCH THROUGH SERVICE

SHARING OUR GIFTS FOR MINISTRY

OFFERTORY PRAYER (Responsive)

Holy Mystery, we give you thanks for the wonder of our breath. For the skills and abilities you entrust to each of us as part of our discipleship. Today we offer our hearts, hands, feet, and voices alongside our resources to be midwives of your love. Help us birth a different kind of world, one where the divine spark in each human being is more important than land or economies or politics. Amen.

† **HYMN:** *How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord* **VU#504**

† **COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION**

† **HYMN:** *A Light Is Gleaming* (Refrain + V.4) **VU#82**

POSTLUDE

PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP LEADERSHIP TODAY: *Worship Leader – Rev. Dr. Bob Fillier; Worship Assistant – Glen Schmidt; Pianist – Vic Steblin; Choir Director – Erica Skowron; Associate Choir Director – Diane Kjørven; Adult Choir; Digital Ministry – Rebecca Fillier and Shannon Carson*

