



**Sunday, February 13, 2022**



Epiphany follows the Christmas story of the babe born in the manger. It is a season especially set apart for adoring the glory of Christ. It means manifestation of glory and leads us to the contemplation of Christ as King upon a throne and leads us to the Season of Lent. The Epiphany Season is a happy time for us to keep the bright lights about our homes, to remember the miraculous birth and guiding star of Bethlehem so long ago.

#### **Our Vision**

To live as Christ would have us live,  
in love, with compassion and seeking justice,  
by sharing God's grace,  
learning from scripture,  
growing through the Spirit and being transformed by faith.

**WASHROOMS:** Wheelchair accessible and gender neutral bathrooms are located outside the lower auditorium. They can be accessed by the stairs in the Narthex or the elevator outside the church office.

## **FIND YOUR PLACE**

### **Announcement of Change to Online Services Only**

In light of the sharp escalation in covid cases in Manitoba and the Winnipeg region, your St. Andrew's Church Council has decided to move to Online Services only beginning as of Sunday, January 2, 2022. We will be minimizing the number of participants involved in these recording sessions. This is an interim measure to ensure the ongoing safety of our staff, volunteers and congregation.

We will monitor conditions as they change and return to in-person services as soon as it is deemed safe to do so. We will, of course, keep our congregation apprised of any further changes through the E-Blast communications. This move to online services only for the time being is consistent with what is occurring at many, if not most, of the United Churches in Winnipeg.



**OUR LAND** - We remember, as we celebrate God's presence in Worship that St. Andrew's River Heights United Church gathers in Treaty 1 land, the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, and Dakota peoples and in the heart of the Metis Nation. As Treaty people, we seek to live with respect on this land, and live in peace and friendship with all our relations.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

GATHERING: *Pastorale in F major, 1st movement*  
(Andante) J. S. Bach

### CENTERING WORDS

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

INVITATION TO WORSHIP: The Abindgon Worship Annual, 2022.

Poor or despairing, some to be blessed.

**Hungry or tired, come to be restored.**

Sorrowing or sighing, come to discover joy.

**Bring your tired, your poor.**

Share your hopes, your dreams,

**Embrace your doubts, your fears.**

Come as you are.

**All are welcome at St. Andrew's River Heights United Church.**

HYMN: **VU344** *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds* vs.1 & 2

♪ **How sweet the name of Jesus sounds**

**In a believer's ear!**

**It soothes the sorrows, heals the wounds,  
and drives away all fear.**

**It makes the wounded spirit whole,  
and calms the troubled breast;  
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,  
and to the weary rest. ♪**

GREETING/ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF LAND:  
Welcome in the name of Christ.

**Welcome to this place of worship, situated on  
the Traditional lands of the  
Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree and Dakota Na-  
tions and homeland of the Métis Nation.**

Welcome to this place of retreat and refuge, wor-  
ship and wonder.

**It is good to be here. It is good to be together.**

It is good to be together here in this place and it is  
good to connect online.

Let us prepare to worship God.

### CANDLE LIGHTING

HYMN: **VU344** *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds* vs.3 & 4

♪ **Dear Name! the rock on which I build**

**My shield, and hiding place,**

**My never-failing treasury, filled**

**With boundless stores of grace.**

**Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,  
My Prophet, Priest and King,**

**My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,  
Accept the praise I bring. ♪**

### OPENING PRAYER

SOLO: *The Beatitudes* (by A.H. Malotte)

Blessed are the poor in spirit:

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn:

For they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek:

For they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst  
after righteousness:

for they shall be filled.

### CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 6:17-27 Read by  
Judy Oatway

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to  
God.**

### SERMON

HYMN: **VU357** *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus* vs.1 &  
2

♪ **Tell me the stories of Jesus, I love to hear,  
Thing I would ask him to tell me if he were  
here:**

**Scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,  
Stories of Jesus, tell them to me.**

**First let me hear how the children stood round  
his knee,  
And I shall fancy his blessing resting on me;  
Words full of kindness, deeds full of grace,  
All in the lovelight of Jesus' face. ♪**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Accept our prayers, Loving God.

Sung response: **VU754** Psalm 27

**God is my light and saving health,  
I shall not be afraid.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER: **VU916** A Paraphrase  
Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be.  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the uni-  
verse!

The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.  
From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.  
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love now and forever. Amen

OFFERING/OFFERTORY: **VU81** As with Gladness vs. 3

**As they offered gifts most rare  
at the manger crude and bare  
So may we with holy joy,  
free from sin that would destroy  
All our costliest treasurers bring,  
Christ, to you, our heavenly King.**

BLESSING

BENEDICTION: **VU96** Will You Come and See the Light vs.1

**Will you come and see the light from the stable door?**

**It is shining newly bright,  
though it shone before.**

**It will be your guiding star,  
it will show you who you are;  
will you hide, or decide to meet the light?**

POSTLUDE: *Pastorale in F major, 4th movement (Allegro)* J. S. Bach

### Announcements

**A big thank you** to our soloist and scripture reader Judy Oatway. Thanks to Tyler Craddock and Fred Cross for arranging the recording of the service today.

**Rev. Dr. Raymond Cuthbert will be our guest preacher on Sunday, February 20th.** Ray was ordained in Winnipeg in 1979 and in addition to pastoral ministry, served on the World Council of Churches' Central Committee and its Commission of the Churches on International Affairs.

He was Moderator of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Canada from 2004-2006. Prior to retirement, he served 18 years as the founding minister at Broadway Disciples United Church here in Winnipeg. He has recently served as a member of the Full Communion Dialogue Group of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and the United Church of Canada. He currently worships at Westworth United Church.

### ST. ANDREW'S CONTACT LIST

Our heartfelt thanks go out to everyone who helped with today's service—we couldn't have pulled it off without you!

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### More Announcements

**The Sox Box** at Just A Warm Sleep is getting scarily low. Drop off warm socks gifting warm feet again. The socks can be dropped off in the Sox Box that is now outside Karen's office door.

**Remember Alice Faveri** and her family in your prayers, Bob Faveri passed away on January 22.

**Remember Bonnie Cross** in your prayers she is in the Victoria Hospital.

**Kit Jarvis** has moved to West Park Manor.

**It's that time of year again!** Our AGM is coming up! We will be running the AGM through Zoom this year on February 27th at 11:30am!

**Check the eblast for info on how to sign up for the Zoom AGM, you will receive an email with the link that and passcode that will be accessible on that day.**

Please Email the office if you would like the dial in information

**The council** meeting minutes for January are now available to view online on our website!

**The 2021 Annual Report is now uploaded to our website, it is viewable online** if you would like to pick up one at the church please email the church office. Some are being mailed out if you would like one mailed to you email the church office.

**United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**, is a booklet which affirms the rights of all peoples to be different, to consider themselves different, and to be respected as such.

**Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action A Resource for Churches**, which is available online and for pick up outside Karen's office contains both books. As a people of faith we are encouraged to address the issues of colonization and the injustices against the Indigenous peoples of our land. We are called to action as we journey together on the Road of Reconciliation. "The road of reconciliation and justice is long, and there will be hurdles along the way, but these documents can help to chart a path to a right relationship."

### **Scripture Readings for next week:**

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Psalms 37:1-11, 39-40

James 2:1-10, (11-13), 14-17

Mark 7:24-37

### **YOUR GIFTS MATTER.**

Get the benefits of a Tax Receipt for your Donation! Let us know who you are and sign up for PAR. Pre-authorized remittances throughout the year make it easy to donate to the United Church.

Donations are always accepted either through your weekly giving envelopes, the weekly worship offering, through E-transfer by contacting Bill Craddock our Treasurer at 204-488-1130 just leave a message on the phone and Bill will return it, or can be dropped off at any time through the church office.

Check out our website for more information and forms. The church is very grateful for any and all donations. Thank you so much.



In a generous act of hospitality, God invites us into ministry. How shall we then respond?



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