



Third after Epiphany

January 26th, 2025

10:00 am

St. Andrew's United Church

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WE WELCOME THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Those who are able, please stand at places marked

Prelude

Words of Welcome

*Lighting of the Christ Candle:

Jesus Comes to Me (lyrics on screen)

*Exchange of the Peace of Christ

Gathering Prayer

We pray:

Spirit of life, as we gather here in loving community, keep us mindful of the responsibilities of being human. Give us the strength to bring strength to each other. May our coming and our going be blessed. Amen.

*Gathering Hymn:– VU 409 – *Morning Has Broken (lyrics on screen)*

Learning Together

Introit: *Spirit, Open My Heart*

THE LIGHT AMONG US

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 8-10

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:1-14

Proclamation: Where the Spirit Leads

Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Wilfong-Pritchard

*Hymn: – VU 372 - *Though I May Speak (lyrics on screen)*

SHARING THE LIGHT

The Offertory

*Offering Hymn: VU 581 -*When We Are Living* (lyrics on screen)

Prayers of the Community

The Prayer of Jesus (on-screen)

*Hymn: VU 642- *Be Thou My Vision* (lyrics on screen)

*Commissioning and Benediction

*Congregational Response: *VU 298 – When You Walk from Here*
(lyrics on screen)

Postlude

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Lectionary Readings for February 2nd, 2025

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalms 7:1-6

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Luke 4:21-30

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The St. Andrew's family warmly welcomes all visitors and newcomers! If you are worshiping with us for the first time, please sign our Guest Book in the Narthex and join us for coffee and snacks after service.

TRANSITIONAL STRATEGIC MEETINGS

The St. Andrew's Council and Spirit North Regional Council are clear that alternative futures need to be considered by congregational members. Both Council and the Spirit North believe it is important for the congregation to be involved in determining a future for St. Andrew's United Church,

On Tuesday, January 21st, the Council met, along with the Spirit North Regional Council representative to determine the need for a transition process for St. Andrew's. As a result of this meeting and with handouts provided by the Council teams that were prepared for discussion in this meeting, the Council decided to implement a transition process to engage all members of the congregation. This process will take place during the first three Sundays in February. On each Sunday, members of the congregation are invited to take part in conversations about possible alternate futures for St. Andrew's.

Additional information on the financial status of the church will be available at each meeting. Further, as the Sunday meetings occur, additional information will be provided by congregational members.

St. Andrew's Council and Spirit North Region have said that it is immensely important for the congregational members to be present for these meetings. These will take place in the **St. James Room after Sunday Services on February 2nd, 9th, and 16th, 2025.**

Thank you

Worship Leaders

Rev. Dr. Geoffrey Wilfong-Pritchard – Presider

Vince Anderson – Lead Musician

Robert Woodbury – Cantor

Technical Support

Peter Bieman- Sound & Live Streaming

Brent Roy – PowerPoint Operation