

Order of Worship

January 28, 2018

Prelude

Welcome and greetings

Acknowledging the land

For thousands of years, First Nations peoples have walked on this land; their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality. We are gathered on the traditional territory of the Abenaki and acknowledge their stewardship of this land throughout the ages.

*Introit	Through many days of darkness, through many scenes of strife, the faithful few fought bravely to guard your people's life. Their gospel of redemption, sin pardoned, earth restored, was all in this enfolded: one church, one faith, one Lord.	VU 274.3
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*Call to worship / Opening prayer

***Hymn** *God, whose almighty word* VU 313

Children's time

*Response	Lord, listen to your children praying. Lord, send your Spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying. Send us love, send us power, send us grace!	VU 400
	Dieu, tes enfants te prient, écoute. Dieu, remplis-nous de ton Esprit; Dieu, tes enfants prient, écoute, toi l'amour, toi la grâce et la vie.	

Prayer of confession and affirmation of grace

***Affirmation of faith** VU 918

OT: Old Testament; NT: New Testament VU: Voices United; MV: More Voices

* the congregation standing, as able

***Hymn** *Though I may speak*

VU 372

Prayer for illumination

Scriptures Deuteronomy 18: 15-20
 Psalm 111
 Mark 1: 21-28

OT 174
VU p. 833
NT 35

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Personal reflection

***Hymn** *We are pilgrims*

VU 595

Minute for mission

Offering

***Offertory / Prayer of dedication** *VU 385.4 (Eng.) – VU 386.4(Fr.)*

Come as the fire and purge our hearts like sacrificial flame;
let our whole life an offering be to our Redeemer's name.

Inspire-nous, quand nous prions, pour prier comme il faut;
inspire-nous, quand nous parlons, un amour sans défaut.

Announcements and sharing in the life of the Community

Prayers of the people followed by the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn** *Love divine, all loves excelling*

VU 333

*** Benediction**

*** Response** May the grace of Christ our Saviour,
 and our Maker's boundless love,
 with the Holy Spirit's favour,
 rest upon us from above.

VU 419

Thus may we abide in union
held together by the Word,
and possess in rich communion
joys which earth cannot afford.

Postlude

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Announcements

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. On this fourth Sunday after Epiphany, may the gentle winds of the Spirit breathe on us a breath of freedom and love.

Bienvenue à l'Église Unie Plymouth-Trinity! Des **Bibles en français** se trouvent à l'arrière.

If you are a visitor, please join us for fair-trade coffee or a cold drink after the service.

We thank our volunteers:

Readers: Michael Eby

Ushers: Hazel Innes and Val Rawlings

Sexton: Jim Innes

Happy Birthday to Heather Marshall and Esther Grace Nenkam (daughter of Sandrine and Serge) on February 1 and Carolyn Bureau on February 2.

Annual Report will be distributed next Sunday, February 4, for perusal before the Annual congregational meeting on February 11.

This week

Wednesday, January 31: postponed Worship Team meeting, chez Kristi, 7:30.

Next week

Sunday, February 4: 5th Sunday after Epiphany.

Lectionary readings: Isaiah 40: 21-31; Psalm 147;

1 Corinthians 9: 16-23 and Mark 1: 29-39

Culte en français à 9 h

Worship in English at 10:30 a.m.

Outreach

Mitten tree: We again have an outlet for winter shoppers and idle fingers! Mental Health Estrie prepares festive HUGS packages (Hats, Underwear, Gloves, and Socks/Scarves) for homeless people, mostly men. The gift bags contain hats, underwear, gloves, scarves and socks in adult sizes, either hand-made or bought, as well as toiletries. Our mitten tree is ready to receive “fruit”, including toothbrushes, soap, etc. for HUGS, between Advent and Palm Sunday.

Moisson Estrie: The local food bank has a Club des nouilles or Pasta Club. Members commit to donating at least \$5 per month for a year. These extra funds will enable Moisson Estrie to stock the precious macaroni, spaghetti and other forms of pasta which are essential items, especially for low-income families. The money will also go towards other basic ingredients which are always in short supply, such as flour, sugar, oil, peanut butter and canned fruit and vegetables.

Because of generous partners, \$5/month is multiplied by 12, i.e. for each \$5 we donate, \$60 of food is distributed.

Each week the food bank assists about 300 individuals or families as well as supporting around 30 community organisations and a dozen schools.

Please remember Moisson Estrie when you do your weekly grocery shopping, noting above the items which are particularly appreciated. Or join the Club des nouilles at www.moissonestrie.com.