

Conseil régional Nakonha:ka Regional Council  
Plymouth-Trinity United Church  
Order of Worship

December 2, 2018

**Prelude**

**Welcome and greetings**

**Call to worship**

**Children's time**

**Gathering hymn**

**VU 7 (1)**

Hope is a star

**Advent candle lighting**

See insert

**\*Opening hymn**

**VU 1**

O come, O come, Emmanuel

**Prayer of confession and Affirmation of grace**

**\*Response**

**VU 23**

Joy shall come even to the wilderness,  
and the parched land shall then know great gladness;  
as the rose, as the rose shall deserts blossom,  
deserts like a garden blossom.  
For living springs shall give cool water,  
in the desert streams shall flow;  
for living springs shall give cool water,  
in the desert streams shall flow.

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OT: Old Testament

NT: New Testament

VU: Voices United

MV: More Voices

\* the congregation standing, as able

## **\*Affirmation of faith**

### **Hymn**

**VU p 883**

Comfort, comfort now my people

## **Prayer for illumination**

### **Scriptures**

Jeremiah 33:14-16

**(OT 738)**

Psalm 25:1-10

**(VU p 752)**

Luke 21:25-36

**(NT 85)**

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

## **Message**

## **Personal reflection**

### **\*Hymn**

**VU 359**

He came singing love

## **Minute for mission**

## **Offering**

### **\*Offertory/Prayer of dedication**

**VU 537**

Your work, O God, needs many hands to help you everywhere, and some there are who cannot serve unless our gifts we share. Because we love you and your work, our offering now we make: be pleased to use it as your own, we ask for Jesus' sake.

## **Announcements and sharing in the life of the community**

## **Acknowledging the land and Prayers of the people followed by the Lord's Prayer**

### **\*Hymn**

**VU 424**

May the God of hope go with us

## **\*Benediction**

### **\*Closing response**

**MV 221**

I am walking a path of *hope*

I am walking a path of *hope*, I am walking a path of *hope*,  
I am walking a path of *hope*, lead me home, lead me home,  
I am home.

## **Postlude**

### **Carol singing around the piano**

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# Announcements

**Welcome to all** who are worshipping with us today. On this first Sunday of Advent, may the gentle winds of the Holy Spirit push us toward understanding what is right, and then help us act accordingly, as we actively await the coming of Emmanuel.

**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 and take a peace candle back to your congregation. You will find the candles on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

**We thank our volunteers:**

**Reader:** Janet McBurney

**Ushers:** Inge Lunkenbein & Val Rawlings

**Sexton:** Dave Fowlis

**Happy birthday** to Allan Marshall (Dec. 6) & Vivienne Galanis (Dec. 7).

**Bulletin covers** this week are donated by Vae Hershey in memory of her brother Darrel Hershey and her husband Darryl Albright, and also by Thelma Philbrick, in memory of her father Percy Dunbar and her brother Percy Emerald Dunbar.

**Bulletin covers 2019:** Inge Lunkenbein (819-346-7750) is collecting donations for 2019: \$10 a Sunday in memory of a loved one. Sign up at the table at the back of the sanctuary.

**2019 Church calendars:** On sale via the UCW for \$7. To reserve, and arrange pickup/delivery, contact Janet McBurney at 819-565-9716 or janetjammcb@gmail.com .

**Thank you** Shanna & Gordon, Janet, Corentine and Leslie for making the Advent family gathering last Saturday such a joyful event! Creativity reigned at the crafts tables as well as in the kitchen where the cookie-bakers got their hands into the dough. Singing and story-telling added a special pre-Christmas flavour. Shanna – spearheading the event – described it so aptly as “a P-T tradition worth reawakening!” It was Shanna and Gordon who revived our Labour Day potluck tradition in September after a hiatus of several years.

**Baptism, membership classes:** If you are interested in joining Plymouth-Trinity, or in having a child baptized, please contact the minister.

### Today

**This time of year can be difficult** for some; AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) meets at P-T every Sunday night, at 7 p.m.

### This week

**Tuesday, December 4:** Samuel attends a 10 a.m. meeting of the Quebec Executive in Montreal.

**Tuesday, December 4: Special meeting** of the Church Board *and* Trustees at 7 p.m. in the parlour.

### Next week

**Sunday, Dec. 9, 2nd of Advent**

**Lectionary readings:** Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79; Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6

Worship in English at 10:30 a.m.; culte en français à 13 h