

BULLETIN – February 7, 2021, Communion Sunday

Lighting of the Candle

Swagatam, Tansi, Welcome:

Acknowledgement of Land:

We acknowledge that we are gathered on ancestral lands, on Treaty One Territory. These lands are the heartland of the Métis people. We acknowledge that our water is sourced from Shoal Lake 40 First Nation.

We respect the Treaties that were made on these territories, we acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past, and we dedicate ourselves to move forward in partnership with Indigenous communities in a spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.

We acknowledge this as Black History Month and we acknowledge BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Colour) Lives Matter.



Call to Worship:

One: Come from the demands of this unprecedented time, to experience peace.

All: We will experience peace as we worship the Holy One.

One: Come from the unusual routines of life today, to experience community.

All: We will experience community as we support and encourage one another.

One: Come to this space to bear witness to God's presence and to be challenged to walk the way of hope.

All: In these times we will experience a unique challenge as we respond to the ministry of Jesus Christ.

One: Come from the uncertainty, into this space to experience security.

All: We will experience security as we put our trust in God, who loves us beyond limits.

Gathering Together in Singing

MV2 Uyai Mose

Come all you people, come and praise your Maker [x3]

Come now and worship the Lord

Uyai mose, tinamate Mwari Uyai mose svino

Shona Pronounced: Oo-yah-ee moh-say, tee-han-mah-tay mwah-ree, oo-yah-ee moh-say zee-noh.

Somali:

Haye aan ammaanno

Haye aan ammaanno, Haye aan ammaanno,

I-laa-hii na uun-day__ Haye aan ammaanno,

Praise our great Creator, praise our great Creator

It is God who made us, praise our great Creator

One who formed our eyes and ears

One who formed our legs and heart

One who made us as we are

Praise our great Creator.

This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. [x3]

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Jesus gave me light, I'm gonna let it shine

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.

*On Monday God gave the gift of love
On Tuesday peace came from above
On Wednesday told me to have more faith
On Thursday gave me a little more grace
On Friday told me to watch and pray
On Saturday told me just what to say
On Sunday gave me the power divine
Just to let my little light shine.*

Welcome and Community News

Singing: VU383 Wa Wa Wa Emimimo

Wa wa wa Emimimo. (Emiolye)
Wa wa wa Alagbrara (Alagbarameta)
Wao wao wao (Emimimo)

Opening Prayer

One: Wonderful is your blessing of those we call family, O God.

All: We rejoice in the joy we find among those we love.

One: Wonderful is your blessing of life, each day an offering of you, O God.

All: We rejoice in the challenges, friendship and creativity of our days.

One: Wonderful is your blessing of our learning, O God.

All: We rejoice that, even in these uncertain times, there is still much for us to find out and put into practice.

One: Wonderful is your blessing of faith, O God.

All: We thank you for its fullest expression in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sharing of Peace

Singing: VU958 Halle Halle Halle

Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! (Hallelujah!)
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Children's Time: Kid's Explain Black History Month (Global Citizen Website)

Lord's Prayer (all languages welcome and spoken)

English

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.)

Nepali

हे हाम्रो पिता, जो स्वर्गमा हुनुहुन्छ,
तपाईंको नाउँ पवित्र होस्।
तपाईंको राज्य आओस्।
तपाईंको इच्छा स्वर्गमा जस्तो छ,
त्यस्तै यस पृथ्वीमा पूरा होस्।
हामीलाई आज हाम्रो दैनिक भोजन दिनुहोस्।
हाम्रो अपराधहरू क्षमा गर्नुहोस्,
जसरी हामीले आफ्ना अपराधीहरूलाई क्षमा गरेका छौं।
हामीलाई परीक्षामा पर्न नदिनुहोस्,
तर दुष्टबाट छुटाउनुहोस्
किनभने राज्य, पराक्रम र महिमा
सदासर्वदा तपाईंकै हुन्, आमेन।'

Singing: MV140 Na Nzela Na Lola

1. As long as we follow in the way that God is leading,
We know God's reign will surely come. x2
We know this, we know this, Yes, God's reign will surely come. x2
2. Lingala
Na nzela na lola toko tambola malembe
malembe tokotambola x2
Malembe, malembe, Malembe, tokotambola x2
3. As long as we hope
There is a future for
Creation, a future for the universe.
Malembe, malembe...
4. As long as we sing...
Malembe, malembe...
5. As long as we pray...
Malembe, malembe...

Scripture Reading: Mark 1: 29-39

Reflection – Groundhog Day

Offering:

The ministry and mission of Knox continues, even when the building is closed. God's love and concern for those who are struggling is shared. You make it possible to carry this message to everyone. If you normally give when you are in worship, we encourage you to continue your regular donations through Canada Helps. The link is here: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/107576134RR0001-knox-united-church/> All donations made will be forwarded to Knox Winnipeg. Or, if you have envelopes, you could put your offering in an envelope each Sunday and bring them with you when we get back to in person worship. Thank you for your generosity in these times of trouble.

Prayer of Dedication / Offering

Singing: VU575 I'm Gonna Live So

I'm gonna live so God can use me
Anywhere, Lord, anytime,
I'm gonna live so God can use me
Anywhere, Lord, anytime.
I'm gonna work so...
I'm gonna pray so...
I'm gonna sing so ...
I'm gonna love so ...
I'm gonna give so ...
I'm gonna praise so ...
I'm gonna live so ...



Communion Liturgy

One: Here at this table and in this sanctuary, let the Divine Spark enter our lives.

Many: Let the Holy Light aid us in seeing the Christ in our midst.

One: The Brightness of Jesus the Christ will illuminate our way.

Many: The Radiance of the Christ will warm our hearts.

One: God is shining upon you!

Many: And God's light streams upon you!

One: Open your hearts.

Many: We open them to the brilliance of God.

One: Let us give thanks for the light and love of God.

Many: We praise our Creator with joy and thanksgiving.

One: We enter this space eager to experience the presence of the Christ....

Later that same evening, Jesus took the cup. He blessed it and invited his friends to taste from the cup of grace. "Do this, as often as you drink of this, for the remembrance of me."

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Send, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us and what we do here,

That we and these gifts, touched by your Spirit,

May be signs of life and love to one another,

And to the world.

Make this broken bread whole in our taking.

Make this full cup overflow in our sharing.

AMEN

Breaking the Bread, Pouring the Cup

The body of Christ,

the bread of life.

The lifeblood of Christ,

the cup of blessing.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

Sharing the Meal

Music Ministry : "Let the Weight of Your Glory" by Paul Wilbur, sung by Sergio Banaga

Community Prayer

Singing: Lord I Want to Be a Christian

Lord, I want to be a Christian

in-a my heart, in-a my heart.

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

In-a my heart

In-a my heart (In-a my heart)

Lord I want to be a Christian in-a my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving. . .

Lord, I want to be like Jesus. .

Blessing