

Summer Worship at Northern United Place

Holy Family Lutheran Church and Yellowknife United Church

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost - August 7, 2016

* - rise in body or spirit



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Gather

Musical Prelude

The Candles are Lit

***Introit** 77 MV Be Still and Know

Call to Worship

Could it be that showing up for worship is a dangerous thing?

We are not afraid, for God is with us.

But even God can question all this ritual!

It is right to give God thanks and praise!

But surely there are better things to do

on a summer Sunday morning!

We gather here as God's people:

not to make a charade of our worship...

not to go through the motions...

but as God's people:

full of hope, aware of our humanity,

aware of God's presence,

finding strength in community,

boldly stating that this is a place of welcome.

Let us worship God.

***Hymn** 30 MV It's a Song of Praise to the Maker

Listen

The Life and Work of this Community

Hymn 701 VU What Does the Lord Require of You?

Hebrew Bible:

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

Epistle Lesson:

Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16

Responsive Psalm:

Psalm 50 *page 775 VU*

Gospel Lesson:

Luke 12: 32-40

Sermon

So, apparently even God is SBNR!?

Respond

***Hymn** 462 VU Before I Take the Body of My Lord
A Prayer of Confession and Contrition

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation

Passing the Peace of Christ

Sharing the Gifts - Doxology 538 VU

The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to our God

Let us give thanks to God

It is right to give God thanks and praise

We thank you O God

For all that is good.

We thank you for the gift of life

And for the gift of creation.

We look with wonder to the sky at night

And marvel at the beauty

and the boundlessness of this, your creation.

And we can imagine ourselves

on a speck of earth and water

spinning in the vastness

of all that you have made.

And even so, we know

that you have named us and know us.

And that you love us all, created in your image.

God, you call us to share

your love for us with all of your creation.

You call us to be hopeful prophets

and faithful examples of your will

for this world and all that it is made of.

We raise our voices in joyful celebration.

**We sing with anticipation for your realm
which is here now and yet to come.**

**Holy, Holy God.
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full,
Full of your glory,
Hosanna, in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes,
Comes in the name of our God.
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Hosanna, in the highest.**

**Be with us here today, God,
as we remember the meal which Jesus
shared with his friends.
Let us remember the act of community,
eating and drinking together,
enjoying each others company,
celebrating our uniqueness which
becomes a oneness in food shared together.**

He took the bread and broke it,
asking them to remember him
through the symbol of the bread.

And he took the wine and filled up
a cup asking them to remember his new vision
of God's love for us.

**God we offer to you this bread and cup,
a symbol of our community together
and a remembrance of the meal which Jesus shared.**

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you, our God.
Send 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 each other, and to all the world.
Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, God most holy,
now and forever.

The Prayer of Jesus (*sung*) #959 VU

**Breaking the Bread, Pouring the Wine
Sharing the Bread and Wine
Prayer after Communion**

For the bread and wine we give thanks. For the nourishment it has given us: as physical beings, as spirited people. We know that food gives us strength and energy to live our lives fully, as physical beings, as spirited people. For the bread and wine we give thanks.

***Hymn 567 VU Will You Come and Follow Me?**

***Commissioning and Benediction**

Refreshed and ready, fed and fed:

**We make our move from this place
to the places we will occupy this afternoon,
this evening, tomorrow and the remainder of the week.**

Through word and wine, bread and prayer, we have been reminded of who and whose we are.

**We can go with confidence and with peace, with courage
and kindheartedness, because we know that the Holy One
is with us: underneath to hold us up, above us to shield us
from whatever may fall, in front of us, beckoning us to go
forward in faith, and behind us to keep us moving.
Thanks be to God.**

***Choral Response 45 MV Hamba Nathi**