

Yellowknife United Church
An Affirming Ministry and Congregation of
The United Church of Canada

Second Sunday after Epiphany - January 14, 2018

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Gathering

Welcome

Acknowledgement of Territory

Lighting the Candles

Introit 97 MV Listen God Is Calling

Listen God is calling, through the word inviting
Offering forgiveness, comfort and joy. (Listen...)

Opening Prayer (*together*)

We have come to listen to you, O God:
not only with our ears,
but with our hearts,
and with our minds,
and with our whole beings.

Open us, that we might receive
the truth that you speak to us.

We pray to you in the spirit of the prayer that Jesus prayed:

A Paraphrase of the Prayer of Jesus *bottom part of* 916 VU

***Hymn** 509 VU Here I Am Lord

Prayer of Confession

God of night-whispered wisdom,
forgive us for the times
we fail to seek your will or heed your call.

Forgive us when we fail to act on the truth we know,
the knowledge we have,
the possibility there is for change.

Forgive us when we let our love
for family or friends or church or nation or ideology
blind us to their faults – and ours ...(*silent confession*)...
Amen.

Words of Assurance

Know that you are forgiven and freed to forgive others.
Walk into a future shaped not by failures,
but by God's justice and mercy. Amen.

Listening

The Life and Work of the Community

Anthem

Grateful

Words and Music: Tom Tomaszek

Arr: Sarah Hart and Tom Tomaszek

Learning with Children

Song 157 MV I Am A Child of God

Hebrew Bible:

1 Samuel 3: 1-20

Responsive Reading:

Psalms 139 VU 861

Epistle Reading:

1 Corinthians 6:11-20

Gospel Reading:

John 1:43-51

Sermon

Called

Responding

***Hymn** 161 MV I Have Called You By Your Name

Minute for Mission – Family Resources Close to Home

Presentation of Tithes and Offering (*Doxology*)

***Hymn** 418 VU Go Forth For God, Go To The World

***Blessing and Sending Forth**

Go with dreams filling your head,
and courage surging through your soul.
Go to live out the unity we seek.
Go to live the equality we share.
Go in the power of the Spirit of God.

We go as those who dream.

Keep firm in the hope God has set before us,
that we and all God's children shall be free,
and the whole earth will live to praise God's name.

**We go as those who make dreams become reality
as people of God. Amen.**

***Choral Response 213 MV Take Up His Song**

Take up his song of hope, and go into the world.
Take up his song of faith in ev'ry moment.
In every moment of the journey,
We're laying down our lives;
lay them down, in love, lay them down,
And take up his song.