

Yellowknife United Church
An Affirming Ministry and Congregation of
The United Church of Canada
First Sunday after Epiphany
Baptism of Jesus - January 7, 2018

* - rise in body or spirit



Scan for a copy
on your handheld
device

Gathering

Welcome

Acknowledgement of Territory

Lighting the Candles

Introit 382 VU Breathe On Me Breath of God (Vss 1 & 2)

Call to Worship

You made it...

We made it...

Alarm or no alarm...

**Clock radio, or the hint of dawn
peeking through the blinds.**

We made it....

God made it too!

God showed up!

In the beginning...

And every beginning...

God shows up!

Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Approach *(together)*

You call our names, O God,

and speak them in love.

Each one known and held by you,

affirming our place in your heart.
In water, we are bound together;
in love, we are made one;
in grace, we are renewed.
So may we celebrate our belonging,
and hear again in the story of Jesus
a call for us to follow.

***Hymn 87 VU I Am the Light of the World**

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, in earth, sea and sky,
you are there;
in everything we touch;
in everyone we meet;
your presence is around us,
and we give you thanks.

You we have not touched, but trampled, in creation;
you we have not met, but missed, in one another;
you we have not received, but rejected, in the poor.
Forgive us.

Assurance of Pardon

No matter where we are, God is there.
No matter what we have done, God forgives.
No matter our reluctance to accept God,
God has accepted us.
With that assurance, receive forgiveness,
and live in fullness and in hope.

Listening

The Life and Work of the Community

Learning with Children

Song 453 VU Out of Deep Unordered Water

Responsive Reading:

Psalm 29 VU 756

Sermon

In Between

Responding

***Hymn 284 VU Joyful is the Dark, Holy, Hidden God**

Minute for Mission – Displaced People

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation

Passing the Peace

Giving and Receiving God's Gifts (*Doxology MV 37*)

The Great Thanksgiving *pg 27 Green Communion Booklet*

Breaking the Bread, Pouring the Wine

Sharing the Bread and Wine

Prayer after Communion

***Hymn 163 MV River Run Deep**

***Commissioning and Benediction**

In water, renew us.

In calling, affirm us.

In living, guide us.

In proclaiming, strengthen us.

In faith, encourage us.

In between, love us.

***Choral Response 82 VU A Light Is Gleaming** (*Chorus*)