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

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#### Gather

#### Prelude

#### Greeting

## **Acknowledging The Territory On Which We Gather**

#### Candles are Lit

#### \*Introit 411 VU O God We Call

O God we call, O God we call From deep inside we yearn, from deep inside we yearn From deep inside we yearn for you.

## Call to Worship

You are with us, O God, whatever happens;

in the storms of life,

when we do not know where to turn, you are there.

You are with us, O God, whatever happens;

in the wonderful days,

when life dances and sings, you are there.

You are with us, O God, whatever happens;

as we make the choice

that reflects our Christian calling, you are there.

You are with us, O God, whatever happens;

in the community of faith,

as we worship and risk with others, you are there.

Whatever happens, you are with us, O Most Caring God!

## \*Hymn 222 VU Come Let Us Sing to the Lord Our Song

### **Prayer of Confession**

Choral Response 400 VU Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying Lord, Listen to your children praying, Lord send your Spirit in this place Lord, listen to your children praying Send us love, send us power, send us grace!

#### **Words of Affirmation**

No matter how we say it,
no matter the big words we use to emphasize it,
no matter how many times we are reminded of it,
the Good News is simple:
God's love is not going away:
God's love is real;
God's love is deep;
God's love is everywhere.

Hallelujah! Thanks be to our awesome God!

## Listening

# The Life and Work of the Community

# **Learning with Children**

Song 90 MV Don't Be Afraid

Don't be afraid, my love is stronger. My love is stronger than your fear. Don't be afraid, my love is stronger, and I have promised, promised to be always near.

**Hebrew Bible:** Genesis 21: 8-21

**Responsive Reading:** Psalm 86 pg 803 VU

**Sermon** Erasing the Stars

### Responding

\*Hymn 271 VU There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Minute for Mission – Help for Children in Congo

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings** Doxology 538 VU

Prayers of the People and The Prayer of Jesus (sung) 959 VU

\*Hymn 577 VU I've Got Peace Like a River

### \*Sending Forth

Let us go as listening, pausing, responding people, called to live the gospel's love.

And as you go,

know that you are comforted by a God of many stories, know that you are walking alongside Jesus, a friend for the journey and God's embodied love in human form, and know that you are inspired by the Spirit's call to respond. Amen.

\*Choral Response 298 VU When You Walk From Here When you walk from here, when you walk from here Walk with justice, walk with mercy and with God's humble care.