Yellowknife United Church An Affirming Ministry and Congregation of The United Church of Canada 24th Sunday after Pentecost – November 19, 2017 Children's Sunday



* rise in body or spirit

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Gathering

Acknowledging the Territory in Which We Gather

The Candles are Lit

Introit 2 MV Come All You People

Come all you people, come praise our Maker 3x Come, now and worship our God. Uyai mose, tinamata Mwari 3x Uyai mose, zvino.

Call to Worship

Jesus invited a child to the middle of a room: We would do the same. It's in our mission and vision statements: It's not just about the future,

It's about who we are right now.

We are made in the image of God.

*When God is a child, there's joy in our hearts, The last shall be first, and the weak shall be strong And none shall be afraid.

*Citing an adaptation of the chorus of "Hope Is a Star" by Brian Wren.

*Hymn 340 VU Jesus, Friend of Little Children (After this hymn, the children will leave to their church school class to return to lead worship a little bit later)

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Choral Response 45 MV You Are Holy, You Show Us the Way You are holy, you show us the way. 4X You show us, you show us, you show us the way. 4X Hamba nathi, Mkhululi wethu 4x Mkhululi, Mkhululi, Mkhululi wethu. 4X

Listen

The Life and Work of the Community

Hymn 299 VU Teach Me, God, To Wonder

Responsive Reading:Psalm 123 page 847 VUGospel Lesson:Matthew 25: 1-13

Sermon Put Your Money Where Your Heart Is

Respond

Anthem Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You Jay Althouse

Minute for Mission - UCW Works to End Child Poverty

Hymn 357 VU Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

Learning With Children

Incorporating the songs "Peace Like a River" and "Kumbaya"

Offerings and *Doxology 537 VU

Your work O God needs many hands to help you everywhere And some there are who cannot serve unless our gifts we share Because we love you and your work, our offering now we make Be pleased to us it as your own, we ask for Jesus' sake.

Prayers of the People

*Hymn 145 MV Draw the Circle Wide

*Sending Forth

Joy, wonder, questions, silliness, laughter, learning, playing, having fun: **And God is pleased.** Fairness, love, frankness, innocence, wisdom:

And God is very pleased.

*Choral Response 212 MV Sent Out in Jesus' Name

Part 1: (twice)
Sent out in Jesus' name, our hands are ready now
To make the world the place in which the kingdom comes.
Part 2: (twice)
The angels cannot change a world of hurt and pain
Into a world of love, of justice and of peace.
The task is ours to do, to set it really free.
O help us to obey, and carry out your will