## We Come Together

**Prelude...** (this is an opportunity for us to appreciate the gift of music and prepare our hearts for worship)

\*Introit "Praise the Lord with Sound of Trumpet" VU#245

## **Lighting of the Christ Candle**

#### **Announcements**

**Call to Worship**: (based on Psalm 71):

One: God, we come:

All: seeking refuge, seeking Your ear.

One: God, we come:

All: seeking shelter and safety.

One: God, we come:

All: for You are our hope, and our trust.

One: God, we come:

All: to lean on You, to seek Your Light.

One: God, we come:

All: To worship, to pray, to praise, together!

\*Hymn: "Come, Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love" VU#574

**Opening Prayer**: (unison)

God of Light, shine upon us this day as we gather in worship. Open us to Your warmth, that we might know that Your Spirit rests with us in times of joy and times of grief. Help us to recognize Your light in the words of Jesus, in the love of friends and neighbours, in the beauty of creation, and in the places where we least expect to find it. Let it inspire us to serve the world You love in bold and courageous ways so that it brings Your comfort and peace to all who need it most. In the name of Jesus, the Light, we pray. Amen.

Personal Prayer: "Don't Be Afraid" X 2 MV#90

(Concluding with The Lord's Prayer)

# **Children's Learning Time**

## **Children's Prayer:**

Today, dear God, You walk with us and we celebrate Your light. It shines on us and through us, creating days so bright. Help us today and everyday, to pause and see you there, in every place and everyone, Your light for us to share. Amen.

\*Hymn: "Jesus Bids Us Shine" VU#585

#### We Listen to the Word

**Prayer of Illumination:** Reader: Caroline

**Scripture Lesson:** 

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13

**Gospel:** Luke 4: 21-30

Response:

One: Let us hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church:

All: Let God's Light and Love shine through this day.

Sermon

**Anthem** "Speak O Lord"

**Prayers of the People** 

\*Hymn: "Though I May Speak" VU#372

#### We Respond to the Word

**Invitation to the Offering:** 

\*Sung Dedication:

"In Gratitude and Humble Trust" VU#544

\*Offertory Prayer: (unison)

God of all Light and Love, in our offering this day, we dedicate ourselves once more to You: our time and talents, our energy, and money, to share in the good news of Your Spirit alive among us. Continue to inspire us to share what

we have in generosity, with grace, and compassion. In your Holy name, we pray. Amen.

\*Hymn: "Three Things I Promise" MV#176

#### \*Commissioning:

One: Go into the world, because God loves.

All: We go, because God loves us.

One: Go into the world, because Jesus shines.

All: We go, because Jesus shines through us.

One: Go into the world, because Spirit rests.

All: We go, because Spirit rests on us always.

## \*Extinguishing of the Christ Light

\*Choral Benediction "Go Now In Peace"

#### **Postlude**

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#### **Volunteer Schedule:**

Ushers: Feb 2 Annie T. & John Feb 9 Trudy S. & John Screens: Feb 2 Erik Feb 9 Tracy Feb 16 Kevin

This Week's Calendar			
Tues	10:00am	Craft Group	Kitchen
	7:00pm	Church Council	Boardroom
Wed	12:30pm	Writers Circle	Boardroom
	7:00pm	Choir Practice	Sanctuary

<sup>\*</sup>Tai Chi with Val is offered Mon, Wed & Fri

#### **Announcements:**

**Women Unite** invite you to stay for a soup luncheon right after the Sunday service on Feb. 16th. *Free will offering*.

\*If you belong to Women Unite please talk to Karen or Jane after today's service\*

<sup>\*</sup>Scouts, Embers, Rumi After School Learning Centre, Church of Pentecost and other groups use the church spaces during