### Yellowknife United Church

An Affirming Ministry and Congregation of
The United Church of Canada
First Sunday after Epiphany – Baptism of Jesus - January 11, 2015
\* - rise in body or spirit

## Gathering

#### Musical Prelude

Welcome; Announcements; Celebrations; Candlelighting

**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.

## The Prayer of Jesus

# \*Hymn 101 VU Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

## **Prayer of Confession**

### **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

**Anthem** The Wonder of the Star Fettke

## Learning with Children

Song 453 VU Out of Deep Unordered Water

**Hebrew Scripture:** Genesis 1: 1-5

**Responsive Reading:** Psalm 29 page 756

**Epistle Lesson:** Acts 19: 1-7 **Gospel Lesson:** Mark 1: 4-11

**Sermon** Showing Up

## Responding

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

Minute for Mission - Sacred Circle

Tithes and Offerings 37 MV Circle of God

**Prayers of the People** 

\*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 trusting, love us.

\*Choral Response 211 MV Go Now In Peace, Guided By the Light