

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

Second Sunday after Pentecost – June 3, 2018

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Gathering

Musical Prelude

Welcome

Acknowledgement of Territory

Lighting the Candles

***Introit 7 MV Gather Us In, Ground Us in You**

Gather us in, ground us in you. 3X

Gather us in, gather us in, ground us, ground us, in you.

***Call to Worship**

Welcomed and welcoming...

God's grace for us,

God's call to us.

Welcomed and welcoming...

It's what we are,

And who we want to be.

Arms open wide in embrace...

God's action toward us,

Our arms are God's in action.

Radical, risky, growing, transformative...

Welcome!

By God and for God.

All are welcome.

Let us worship God.

***Hymn 1 MV All Are Welcome**

Prayer of Confession

Words Of Assurance

Listening

The Life and Work of the Community of Faith

Anthem

Namasté

Mark Hayes

Learning With Children

Song 145 MV Draw the Circle Wide

Hebrew Bible:

Jeremiah 29: 1-7

Responsive Reading:

Psalm 139 *Part I and Part III p 861*

Gospel Reading:

Matthew 1: 12-15, 19-23

Sermon

Dr. Kathy Yamashita

President, Alberta and Northwest Conference

Responding

***Hymn** 696 VU Homeless People, Will You Listen

Minute for Mission – 100 Years of Being the Change

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation

Passing of the Peace

Gifts Are Brought Forward *Doxology 537 VU*

The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to our God

Let us give thanks to God

It is right to give God thanks and praise

We thank you O God
For all that is good.
We thank you for the gift of life
And for the gift of creation.

**We look with wonder to the sky at night
And marvel at the beauty
and the boundlessness of this, your creation.**

And we can imagine ourselves
on a speck of earth and water
spinning in the vastness
of all that you have made.

**And even so, we know
that you have named us and know us.
And that you love us all, created in your image.**

God, you call us to share
your love for us with all of your creation.
You call us to be hopeful prophets
and faithful examples of your will
for this world and all from which it is made.

**We raise our voices in joyful celebration.
We sing with anticipation for your realm
which is here now and yet to come.**

**Holy, Holy God.
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full,
Full of your glory,
Hosanna, in the highest.**

**Blessed is the one who comes,
Comes in the name of our God.
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Comes in the name of our God,**

Hosanna, in the highest.

**Be with us here today, God,
as we remember the meal which Jesus
shared with his friends.
Let us remember the act of community,
eating and drinking together,
finding strength in each others company,
celebrating our uniqueness which
becomes a oneness in food shared together.**

He took the bread and broke it,
asking them to remember him
through the symbol of the bread.

And he took the wine and filled up
a cup asking them to remember his new vision
of God's love for us.

**God we offer to you this bread and cup,
a symbol of our community together
and a remembrance of the meal which Jesus shared.**

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you, our God.**

**Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and what we do here,
that we and these gifts,
touched by your Spirit,
may be signs of life and love
to each other, and to all the world.**

**Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, God most holy,
now and forever.**

The Prayer of Jesus (*sung*) #959 VU

Bread is Broken, Wine is Poured
Sharing the Bread and Wine
Prayer after Communion

We give thanks O Holy One, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another and send us into the world united in courage and in peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, through and in Christ. Amen.

***Hymn 481 VU Sent Forth By God's Blessing**

***Commissioning and Benediction**

May God Bless you and keep you.
May God's face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
May God give you grace not to sell yourselves short,
Grace to risk something big for something good,
Grace to remember that the world is now too dangerous
for anything but truth,
and too small for anything but love.
May God take your minds and think through them.
May God take your lips and speak through them.
May God take your hands and work through them.
May God take your hearts and set them on fire.

***Choral Response 214 VU May God's Sheltering Wings**

May God's sheltering wings, her gathering wings protect you.
May God's nurturing arms, her cradling arms sustain you
And hold you in her love, and hold you in her love.