

**St. John's United Church**  
**January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**Second Sunday After Epiphany**  
Worship Leader – Rev. Sungsoon Park

**WELCOME**

Greetings, welcoming newcomers, announcements, prayer concerns and celebrations.

We are looking for more choir members and musicians if anyone is interested in joining.

**CENTERING SONG MV # 14 Where Two or Three are Gathered X 2**

**LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

In this season of Epiphany, we light the Christ Candle, recognizing the far-reaching power of Christ's light. The healing light of Christ dwells within each of us, reminding us that Christ is with us always.

**We are called to be the light of Christ in the world.**

May Christ's light shine through us,

**bringing hope, healing, and peace to all. Amen.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

God of miracles, we praise you.

You have turned water into wine!

**The ordinary into the beautiful.**

Scarcity into abundance.

**Despair into confidence.**

And you turn us once again into your people:

**No one into Someone.**

Scattered pieces into one Body.

**Ordinary lives changed into worship. Alleluia!**

**Regular Office Hours**

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**This Week: January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Worship Leader: Rev. Sungsoon Park

Greeters: Nancy Hite & Gladys Foster

Scripture: Donna Worden

Fellowship: Rita Normand & H el ene Severyn

**Next Week: January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Worship Leader: Rev. Sungsoon Park

Greeters: Sharon Hebert & Patti Skuba

Scripture: Kevin Smith

Fellowship: Doris Ulanicki & Bev Bowers

Communion: Patti Skuba & Sharon Hebert

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**HYMN VU # 297 All Praise To You****COMMISSIONING**

You have signed us with the cross, O God;  
May we be signs of Jesus Christ!

**A sign of community to the lonely,  
a sign of hope to the disheartened,  
a sign of compassion to the weary,  
a sign of challenge to the indifferent,  
a sign of love to the outcast.**

In the Spirit of Christ, we are enriched in every way!

**Go Now In Peace**

**Go now in Peace, never be afraid;  
God will go with you, each hour of everyday.  
Go now in Faith, steadfast, strong and true,  
know he will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in Love, and show you believe,  
reach out to others, so all the world can see.  
God will be there watching from above.  
Go now, in Peace, in Faith and in Love.  
Amen, Amen, Amen.**

**PASSING OF THE PEACE** *(Please rise if you are able)*

The peace of Christ be with you

**And also with you.**

**CHILDREN'S TIME****OPENING PRAYER**

O Crucified and Risen Christ, you eat with the poor,  
**and you provide the finest wine.**

You suffer with the brokenhearted, and you sing songs of praise.

**You go toward the cross, and yet you dance with joy.**

Amidst the world's injustice, you go about healing,

**And amidst the world's sorrow, you go about rejoicing.**

Grant us your Spirit that in this world of suffering and injustice

**we may be people of joy and healing,**

O Christ, in you we are one with all who suffer,

**and one with you who live and reign**

**with the Creator and the Spirit forever. Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN VU # 101 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise****PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Almighty God,

we confess that we have been led astray by the idols of our world.

**We have depended on our possessions and have not placed  
our trust in your grace.**

We have carelessly consumed the gifts you offer

**and have failed to be faithful stewards of the earth's resources.**

We have sought security in the might of the sword

**rather than the strength of your Holy Spirit.**

Forgive us, we pray.

**Lead us to true repentance so that we may serve you faithfully.**

**(All) Through Christ, we pray. Amen.**

**WORD OF ASSURANCE**

Hear the good news:

**Christ unmasks the idols of our world**

and frees us from slavery to all that would oppress us.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

**HYMN VU # 559 Come, O Fount of Every Blessing**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE****LORD'S PRAYER****OFFERING****DEDICATION SONG # 541**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**praise God, all creatures high and low;**

**Give thanks to God in love made known:**

**Creator, Word and Spirit, One.**

**DEDICATION PRAYER****SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Isaiah 62:1–5 pg. 724, 725

1 Corinthians 12:1–11 pg. 216

John 2:1–11 pg. 118

**RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 36 pg. 762, 763**

***Refrain: Your steadfast love, O God, extends to the heavens.***

Your steadfast love, O God, extends to the heavens, your  
faithfulness reaches to the clouds,

**Your righteousness is like the mountains, O God, your  
judgements are like the great deep; all living things you save.**

***Refrain: Your steadfast love, O God, extends to the heavens.***

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take  
refuge in the shadow of your wings.

**They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them  
drink from the river of your delights.**

***Refrain: Your steadfast love, O God, extends to the heavens.***

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

**Continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your  
salvation to the upright in heart.**

***Refrain: Your steadfast love, O God, extends to the heavens.***

**SERMON Reflection**

(video)