

## Welcome to Scarboro United Church

An Affirming Community Celebrating Diversity

January 13, 2019

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Epiphany – Gifts to Giftedness

\* indicates you are invited to stand, in body or in spirit

At any time during the service you are welcome to light a prayer candle at the front of the Sanctuary for anything you are holding in prayer

**GATHERING** ----- VU 82 **A Light is Gleaming** v. 1, 4

**LIGHTING OF THE DIVERSITY CANDLE** - The diversity candle reminds us that the Light of God shines through all of us, in all of our diversity

**WELCOME & WORDS OF INTRODUCTION**

\* **SUNG CALL TO WORSHIP** ----- MV 82 **Bathe Me in Your Light**

**OPENING PRAYER & PRAYER OF JESUS**

**One:** As children turn to a mother who watches over them,  
let us turn to God, saying:

**All: Our Mother and our Father, who art in heaven  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil:  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

\* **PASSING OF THE PEACE** ----- You are invited to greet your neighbour  
(with a handshake, fistbump, or non-touching greeting):

**“The Peace of Christ be with you”**

And respond to your neighbour:

**“And also with you”**

(You may also choose to stay put and keep the silent space)

As the children gather the light & get ready to depart, we will sing:

\* **RESPONSE** ----- MV 33 **Jesus Came Bringing Us Hope**  
(Light, Love, Grace, Joy)

**SCRIPTURE** ----- Reader – Betty Mitchell  
Isaiah 43.1-7

**One:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**MUSIC** ----- Arise! Shine! – Carter

**MESSAGE** ----- Rev. Lee Spice

**TIME OF REFLECTION**

\* **RESPONSE** ----- MV 161 **I Have Called You by Your Name**

**SCARBORO News & RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP**

Mary Axworthy ----- Guess Who's Coming to Dinner? with a twist!

**PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS**

**OFFERTORY**

**SONG OF THANKS** ----- VU 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** (in unison)

**Holy One, you shine through us in every way. Through these gifts,  
may we bring light and love to the world, in your name. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Before & after prayers ----- MV 214 **May God's Sheltering Wings**  
(Today week we use the pronoun their)

\* **RESPONSE** ----- MV 142 **Oh a Song Must Rise**

\* **BLESSING**

\* **CHORAL AMEN**



We are located on the traditional territories of the people of the Treaty 7 region of Southern Alberta, which includes the Siksika, Piikuni, Kainai, Tsuut'ina and Stoney Nakoda First Nations, including Chiniki, Bearspaw, and Wesley First Nation<sup>1</sup>. Calgary is also home to Métis Nation of Alberta, Region III. Respectfully, we acknowledge that we share the land as people of Treaty 7. We are all Treaty People.

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We commit to being an affirming congregation and an inclusive community, inviting, welcoming and affirming all people regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity into full participation in, and leadership of, the congregation of Scarboro United Church. You are welcome here.

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