



January 23, 2022

Epiphany 3

Life and Work of the Congregation

A Time of Quiet Preparation

WE GATHER

Introit: Rise Up, Rise Up

MV 130

Rise up, rise up, rise up, O my soul. Rise up and sing this blessing to God's name (x2)

Call to Worship

One: Surely, God is in this place.

All: Help me notice.

One: God is Holy Mystery, beyond complete knowledge, above perfect description.

All: Yet, in love, the one eternal God seeks relationship.

One: Grateful for God's loving action, we cannot keep from singing.

All: We worship the Holy Mystery that is Wholly Love.

Shalom: *We exchange a greeting of "shalom" – An ancient word of faith meaning peace, wholeness, wellness, blessing...*

Hymn: Your Hand, O God, Has Guided (v.1,2,4,5) **VU 274**

*Your hand, O God, has guided your flock from age to age;
the wondrous tale is written, full clear, on every page.*

*Our forebears owned your goodness, and we their deeds record;
and both to this bear witness: one church, one faith, one Lord.*

*Your heralds brought glad tidings to greatest as to least;
they bade them rise, and hasten to share the heavenly feast.
And this was all their teaching, in every deed and word,
to all alike proclaiming one church, one faith, one Lord.*

*And we, shall we be faithless? Shall hearts fail, hands hang down?
Shall we evade the conflict and cast away our crown?
Not so: in God's deep counsels some better thing is stored;
we will maintain, unflinching, one church, one faith, one Lord.*

*Your mercy will not fail us, nor leave your work undone;
with your right hand to help us, the victory shall be won;
and then, by earth and heaven, your name shall be adored,
and this shall be our anthem: one church, one faith, one Lord.*

Prayer of Invocation and Transformation (unison)

Holy Mystery, we the church gather as one body to experience your Presence in a powerful and unique way – for when we are together your Spirit feels focused and amplified and

our hearts and minds are moved to celebrate. Through word, prayer, music, and community may we know your will and your way as we sing your song of faith.

Standing in your light, hearts broken open, acknowledging our humanness, seeking transformation, savouring your Holy Presence, we pray...

(a moment of contemplation)

One: God hears, forgives, makes whole, renews, and loves. Breathe deeply of God's shalom, and be God's.

Hymn: Shout to the North

Men of faith rise up and sing of the great and glorious King.

You are strong when you feel weak, in your brokenness complete.

Shout to the north and the south. Sing to the east and the west.

Jesus is Saviour to all. Lord of heaven and earth.

Rise up women of the truth, stand and sing to broken hearts.

Who can know the healing power of our awesome King of love.

Rise up church with broken wings, fill this place with songs again.

Of our God who reigns on high by his grace again we'll fly.

Kids Time

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading – 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

12 For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. 13 For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

14 Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. 15 If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. 16 And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. 17 If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? 18 But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. 19 If all were a single member, where would the body be? 20 As it is, there are many members, yet one body. 21 The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." 22 On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, 23 and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; 24 whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, 25 that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. 26 If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

27 Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. 28 And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. 29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? 30 Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? 31 But strive for the greater gifts.

Music Ministry

Message: One Body

WE RESPOND

Hymn: We Are One (v.1,2,4)

VU 402

*We are one as we come, as we come, joyful to be here,
in the praise on our lips there's a sense that God is near.
We are one as we sing, as we seek, we are found;
and we come needful of God's grace as we meet, together in this place.*

*We are one as we share, as we share brokenness and fear,
in the touch of a hand there's a sense that God is here.
We are one as we care, as we heal, we are healed;
and we share warmth in God's embrace as we pray together in this place.*

*We are one as we hear, as we hear, heart and hand unite;
in the word we receive there's a sense that God is light.
We are one as we leave, as we love, we are loved;
and we seek justice in God's ways as we move together from this place.*

Prayer (w/Lord's Prayer)

Offering

Our gifts, O God, come in all shapes and sizes, in money, time, and talents, and we offer it all in faith. Be near to us, and help us see your presence in the ministries we share and the lives we lead. Amen.

Hymn: The Church's One Foundation

VU 331

*The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord;
we are his new creation by water and the Word;
from heaven he came and sought us that we might ever be
his living servant people, by his own death set free.*

*Called forth from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth;
one charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name professing and at one table fed,
to one hope always pressing, by Christ's own Spirit led.*

Though with a scornful wonder the world sees us oppressed,

*by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, 'How long?'
But soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.*

*Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of our war,
we wait the consummation of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious our longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.*

*We now on earth have union with God the Three in One,
and share through faith communion with those whose rest is won.
Oh, happy ones, and holy! Lord, give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.*

Benediction

Closing: God Says (v.4)

MV 172

*God says, "Reach out! The world's in need and wants a word, a song, a deed.
I send you forth to speak, to sing, to act for Christ in everything."*

Finances

If you are already on PAR (pre-authorized remittance), THANK YOU! We encourage you to continue to make your financial offerings to the church. Bills and salaries still need to be paid. You will not be able to bring your offerings to the church because there is no one there to receive them, as the office is closed. Another way to make your offering is by clicking the "Canada Helps" donation button on our website. There is no doubt that this closure will have a significant financial impact on our church. Please do what you can to continue to support our ongoing mission and ministry together.

ECO Regional Council Prayer Cycle – Land O'Lakes Emmanuel

Faith United Mission Statement

We believe in a loving and forgiving God, shown to us through Jesus Christ, creation, the bible, and the community of believers.

Therefore we will:

- strive to provide a spiritual home that is openly welcoming, nurturing and safe whatever a person's ability/disability, age, ethnicity, exceptionality, gender identity, sexual orientation, or social or economic circumstance;
- seek to become disciples of Christ growing in faith through worship, study and prayer;
- risk sharing our resources with local and global neighbours in response to God's call;
- be committed to the responsible use and care of all that God has entrusted to us;
- encourage all who gather here to participate freely in the life and work of this church.

Let our actions reflect our faith.

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