

WELCOME TO WORSHIP ON JANUARY 16TH, 2022.

Keswick & Ravenshoe Pastoral Charge

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VU – Voices United Hymnbook MV – More Voices

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Prelude

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements: Zoom call at 10am on Jan. 25

RUC AGM by Zoom at 1pm on Jan. 23. More info to follow.

Pass the Peace

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

Lighting of the Christ candle

The Magi followed a star leading them to the Light of the World. The candle flame reminds us that the Light of the World is in our midst. Gathered as people who are drawn to the light, we centre ourselves for worship.

Singing of the Lord's Prayer VU 960

Call to Worship

God's faithfulness is as high as the clouds.

God's love stretches everywhere.

God's righteousness is as tall as the biggest mountains.

God's love stretches everywhere.

God's justice is as deep as the ocean.

God's love stretches everywhere.

God's love is big enough for everyone.

God's love stretches everywhere.

Come, let us worship the God whose gifts flow abundantly.

Hymn: VU 218 We Praise You, O God

Gathering Prayer (*unison*)

God of many gifts, you offer us so many things: food and drink, everlasting life, gifts for ministry, shelter from danger. Above all: overflowing love! In this time of worship, open us to your Spirit, that we might experience and celebrate the many gifts you give us. Amen.

Responsive Scripture: Psalm 36 VU 762

Hymn: MV 81 Love Us into Fullness

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 (NRSV)

(Marilyn Butcher)

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

This is the Word of God.

Thanks be to God.

Reflection "Abundant Love"

Hymn: MV 10 Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom

We Give and Receive our Offering

We offer our talents so that others may be encouraged to share abundantly.

Offertory Hymn: VU 579 The Church is Wherever (v. 2)

Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Loving God, whose gifts are overflowing: as you have poured out love upon your people, so we seek to give back to you even a little of all you have given to us. Take and use the gifts you have entrusted to us, and which we now offer back to you, that we in turn might overflow with love for your world. Amen.

Sharing of the Minutes for Mission – “Bill’s Story”

Prayers of the People

Hymn: MV 140 As Long As We Follow

***Commissioning and Blessing**

God has blessed us with an abundance of life. God’s promise for the world is filled to the brim and overflowing.

God has blessed us with an abundance of hope. God’s hope for the world is filled to the brim and overflowing.

God has blessed us with an abundance of truth. God’s truth for the world is filled to the brim and overflowing.

Go and offer the world God’s abundant gifts for there are more than enough. God’s love for the world is filled to the brim and overflowing. Amen.

Hymn: VU 429 May the Blessing of God Be Upon You

Postlude

Keswick & Ravenshoe United Church Second Sunday after Epiphany



*January 16th, 2022
Rev. Calvin Lau*