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Sunday February 10, 2019, 10am

Theme: Being Surprised

✚ indicates stand as you are able

Bold indicates participation by the people

MV = More Voices

VU = Voices United

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

Faith is the refusal to underestimate God. The world can be a difficult place. It is understandable that we lean into our survival instincts and work from our strengths most of the time.

When was the last time you were amazed? Believed nothing good could happen and then something did? How do you experience surprises?

LIFE & MINISTRY, & SHARING THE PEACE (Rev. Bob)

(Please feel free to move around)

WELCOME & TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Welcome to this service of worship. We begin by acknowledging the traditional territory upon which we gather this morning. For many thousands of years, the Lheidli T'enneh have sought to walk gently on this land. We seek a renewed relationship with both the Indigenous and Metis Peoples, one based in honour, deep respect, and Right Relations.

GATHERING SONG: Come In, Come In and Sit Down (Vs1&4)

VU#395

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) Based on Psalm 138

One: We give thanks to God with our whole heart.

All: Before God, we sing our praises.

One: God is steadfast and faithful and answers our call.

All: God increases the strength of our souls.

One: Though we walk in the midst of trouble,

All: God preserves us and stretches out a hand to help.

One: We raise our own hands in praise and our voices in worship,

All: for God's steadfast love endures forever.

GATHERING PRAYER: (Unison)

When our hearts are doubting, your steadfast love never wavers. When our minds are dull, you open them with the unexpected. When our judgments are sharp, you soften us with your grace. When our bodies are weary, you soothe us with nature's embrace. When our souls are anxious, you surprise us with your awe. God, awaken in us a sense of wonder that we may be made new in you. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE: (Responsive)

One: Friends, there are moments when we feel like everyone and everything are far away. When all our hopes and dreams seem like smoke we can never hold onto. When there are no straight lines, only twists and turns that have no destination in sight. In those moments, all that we need is present in the expressions of God's steadfast love. We are not alone.

All: Our faith is in what we cannot see. Our love is in God's very being that is always with us. Even when life is full of chaos, God is there encouraging, empowering, and strengthening us. God's love and radical inclusion of each of us enables us to be open to the mystery of God's surprise.

✠HYMN: *Holy, Holy, Holy*

VU#315

THEME CONVERSATION

WE LISTEN

SCRIPTURE: **Luke 5:1-11 (NRSV)**

(Lectionary@Home: Isaiah 6:1-8, (9-13); Psalm 138; & 1 Corinthians 15:1-11)

Luke 5:1-11

5 Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." ¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

Reader: This is the witness of The Church.

Many: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: Little David, Play on Your Harp
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SERMON: Catch of a Lifetime

WE RESPOND

†HYMN: *Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

VU#563

PASTORAL PRAYERS & The Prayer of Jesus

VU#959

Please include this week:

Joy Greenly

Janice Fast

Louise Chernenkoff

Bob Hawk

Gordon Smith

Callum MacRitchie

MINUTE FOR TRINITY

INVITATION TO RESPOND WITH OUR GIFTS

GATHERING OUR GIFTS

Through our Tithes, Offerings, Envelopes, & PAR

OFFERTORY HYMN: *Christ Be Our Light*

Projection

**Many the gifts,
Many the people,
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants
to one another,
making your kingdom come.**

**Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts,
Shine through the dark [night].
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.**

†OFFERTORY PRAYER: (Unison)

O God, all that we have and all that we are, are gifts of your grace. In the giving of our offering, help us to unwrap the love and mercy that you have planted inside us in new and life-giving ways, so that we may be awed by what is possible in this world and the next. Amen.

WE SERVE

†HYMN: *Deep in Our Hearts*

MV#154

†COMMISSIONING and BENEDICTION

Go and be God's transforming presence in the world. Go and be Trinity United!

BENEDICTION

†Sung Response: *This Little Light of Mine*

Projection

POSTLUDE

Participating in worship leadership today: *Rev. Bob Fillier; Worship Assistant – Wendy Hudyma; Pianists- Angela Alba and Vic Steblin; Choir Director – Erica Skowron; Associate Choir Director – Diane Kjørven; Adult Choir; Live Streaming – Rebecca Fillier; Wonderhosts - Shannon Carson and Megan Homan; Greeter- Don Homan*

Pastoral Prayer:

God of mystery and miracle, we give thanks that out of the watery void, you pulled earth.

Out of the crumbling dirt, you made human kind.

Out of a bone, you made companionship.

Through all the various flora and fauna, you taught us that there is not one way to live and thrive.

God of wonder and awe, free us of our fears and judgments. Teach our eyes and ears to perceive beyond the probable into the abundant possibilities into which we can live.

We pray for all those who are in need of new life, renewed relationships, or new perspectives.

We lift up their names silently in our hearts and ask that you might open our own hearts to care for them in unexpected ways.

Surprise us, O wonderful one, so that we may be continually open to your grace which comes into being in new ways.

Especially this morning we pray for [insert names of people, places, or world events]

Creator, hear these our prayers as we join together and sing the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples, Our Father...Amen.