





## ORDER OF WORSHIP

December 29, 2019 NEW YEAR'S SERVICE



### THE ENABLING POWER OF GRACE

with

**Rev Sandra Cox** 

## OUR MISSION

TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE BY LIVING THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS:

showing mercy, promoting justice, offering forgiveness, acceptance, and hope.

# (\*\* indicates rising in body or spirit as you are able.) (The congregation reads the words in bold print in unison.)

**Prelude:** 

Welcome: All are welcome in this place.

All are welcomed by God's grace.

#### **Lighting of the Christ Candle**

\*\*Singing: VU 87 I Am the Light of the World

#### \*\*Call to Worship:

A new year is here, follow your star.

The star that leads to the discovery of new talents, the star that leads to new ways of being church, the star that reveals how dreams may become reality, the star that leads to seeing needs and meeting those needs, the star that begins with the birth of Jesus Christ, and leads to the rule of God becoming reality.

A new year is here, follow your star. We will look to you and follow, for the saints have gone ahead of us.

#### \*\*Prayer of Approach in unison

God of justice and hope, you invite us to the way of abundant life.

What a gift that is!

Yet, we find ourselves lured by the extravagances of this world.

We yearn for possessions, power, and privilege.
We forget that these will not satisfy
the deep yearnings of our souls.
Forgive our foolishness and point us to the
freedom of faithful living.
Hear our prayer, most loving God.

\*\*Singing: VU 530 All Beautiful the March of Days

#### **News & Announcements**

#### Offering Invitation

**Song during the Offering: VU 76** See amid the Winter's Snow (vs. 1, 2, 5)

- \*\*Offertory Response: VU 55 In the Bleak Midwinter (v.4)
- \*\*Offertory Prayer: Star giver, Life bringer, Love sharer, bless these gifts we bring that your Light might shine more brightly, your Life be lived more abundantly, your Love be shared more abundantly, in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **Prayers of the Church**

#### The Lord's Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Singing: VU 45 Joy Is Now in Every Place

<u>Scripture</u>: Colossians 3: 12-17 - John Lindsay-Botten

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

Message: THE ENABLING POWER OF GRACE - Rev Sandra Cox

A Moment of Sharing God's Grace

Singing: VU 43 Go Tell it on the Mountain

\*\*Blessing:

\*\*Parting Song: VU 429 May the Blessings of God Be Upon You

May the blessing of God be upon you. May God's love light all your way. May the Grace of Christ enfold you and peace around you stay.

May the Spirit of God dwell within you.

May you live in joy each day.



Thank you for joining us here at Knox.

We return to our regular service time Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am.

Our office will reopen on January 6th 9am - 1pm

Please take home a copy of the January Edition of Knox New & Reflections. We have an exciting year ahead!

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