January 14, 2024 ORDER OF WORSHIP – Rev. Tom Woods Please stand where ** is indicated

Gathering Song: VU 87 I Am the Light of the World

Announcements:

Time for All Ages:

Welcome:

In this community of faith, we celebrate that all are welcome in this place.

All are welcome by God's grace.

**Call to Worship:

We praise you, O God, for we are wonderfully made by you!

You formed us and knit us together in our mothers' wombs.

You know us through and through.

You speak to us and we hear your word.

We hear your voice deep inside us and all around us.

You are with us always. You call us, and we are here. Amen.

**Opening Prayer:

We come from our scattered lives to this place: to seek unity in the Spirit, to seek the grace of Jesus Christ, to seek the peace of God our Creator. Be present with us in this time and always, loving God. Amen.

**Opening Hymn: VU 401 Worship the Lord vv. 1-3

Scripture:

1 Samuel 3:1-10

- read by Mary Brill

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Thanks be to God.

John 1: 43-51

Hear the Witness of the Gospel.

Thanks be to God.

Message Reverend Tom Woods

Ministry of Music: O Lord, You Called Disciples

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Minute for Mission:

Offering Invitation:

Hymn During Offering: MV 167 Hush, Hush

**Offertory Response: SA 57 O What a Wonderful Gift

**Offering Dedication:

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

**Hymn: VU 509 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

**Blessing:

**Parting Song: O Lord, You Called Disciples (2002) Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

OUR MISSION

TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE
BY LIVING THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS:
showing mercy,
promoting justice,
offering forgiveness,
acceptance, and hope.

OUR VISION

We, the congregation of Knox United Church, publicly proclaim our commitment to become an open and welcoming community of faith. We declare that we welcome everyone regardless of age, race,

ability, sexual orientation, and gender identity.

Everyone is welcome here.

Through the process of honouring diversity and challenging injustice with those who bear the weight of discrimination, we commit ourselves to openness, growth, education, love, and acceptance.

Christ's Disciples in Ministry: Everyone

Minister of Worship, Outreach and Faith Formation: Rev.

Tom Woods

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