

# St. Andrew's United Church

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*We are called to be the united church. Mission is our home. We foster belonging; provide spiritual accompaniment; and ask the deep questions*

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## **The Fourth Sunday in Epiphany**

**February 1st, 2026**

### **WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

++ Please rise in body or spirit

MV = More Voices; VU = Voices United;

TLUS = Then Let Us Sing

### **PRELUDE**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **GREETING:**

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

### **TERRITORY ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

*We worship on the unceded territory of the Halq'eméylem-speaking peoples.*

### **CANDLE LIGHTING**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We come to worship today determined to follow the Christ  
**who calls us to a new understanding of fishing.**

We come to worship with open hearts and minds  
**and a soul ablaze for justice and equality.**

We come to meet God and each other.

**Let us worship in love and understanding.**

### **OPENING PRAYER:**

God of love, we come today celebrating Black History Month. As we gather, we ask you to come to us now as your Son came to those first disciples on the lakeshore, calling them into a Beloved

Community of love and justice. We pray for your Spirit's presence calling us to the same. Speak your peace and understanding to our hearts. Reveal yourself to us as we seek ways to sincerely worship together. May our celebration bring a new sense of unity, binding us together in your love. Amen.

**++HYMN:** VU 82 – “A Light is Gleaming”

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**WE RESPOND:** VU 79 – “Arise, Your Light is Come” v 4

**Arise, your light is come!  
The mountains burst in song!  
Rise up like eagles on the wing;  
God's power will make us strong.**

## **WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE:**      **Reader: Candice White**

Psalm 138

Luke 5:1–11

1 Peter 1:3–9

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **REFLECTION**

**++HYMN:** “Christ Be Our Light”

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE**

**PASSING THE PEACE:**

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** VU 960 [Ecumenical Version]

## **MISSION AND SERVICE STORIES**

### **INVITATION TO THE OFFERING:**

Let us present our offering to the work of God.

**++OFFERTORY:** “These Gifts We Bring”

These gifts we bring with grateful hearts,  
to reconcile, make new.

Gather us in grace, show us the way,  
to live our lives in Truth;  
to share Your love in all we do.

*The offering is brought forward.*

### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS:**

The magi perceived your star;  
the disciples followed your Son;  
the early Church received your revelation.

**Like those before us,  
we receive your gifts  
and offer them to your world.**

**++HYMN:** VU 577 – “Peace Like a River”

## **WE GO OUT TO SERVE GOD**

## **++COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION**

**INSTRUMENTAL:** “Hymn to Freedom” by Oscar Peterson

**END OF WORSHIP**

**BEGINNING OF SERVICE IN THE COMMUNITY**



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