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December 9, 2012 White Gift Sunday Second Sunday of Advent

(Portions of the service that are in **BOLD** are to be said by all. All points marked \* those who are able are invited to stand.)

## Approach

Carol Sing (10:15 -10:25 am)

Opening

Sunday School song – "Man in the Mirror" (Michael Jackson)

Children's Time / Lighting the Second Advent Candle

\* Response (MV #221)

I am walking a path of hope (3x) Lead me home, lead me home.

Lord's Prayer

\* Hymn VU #18 – "There's a Voice in the Wilderness"

(children leave for Bible Adventures)

## Prayer of Approach and Confession

God of wisdom, you dare to enter the wilderness of our lives. You lead us through the confusion and the fear to places of peace and confidence. We come with grateful hearts to worship you. You help us make sense of the obstacles before us and the heavy burdens that make our travels difficult.

Forgive us when we ignore your messengers and their offer of guidance. We can be such stubborn people. Be patient when we get lost because we were unwilling to ask for directions. Help us to accept that sometimes it is better to follow with trust than to lead with ignorance. Gracious God, be on this journey with us. Place your Spirit before us to show us the way. AMEN

Assurance of Pardon

## The Word

Scripture Readings – Malachi 3: 1-4 Luke 1: 68-79

> Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. THANKS BE TO GOD!

\* Hymn VU #901 – "Song of Zechariah"

Meditation - "Who's driving your spiritual pilot vehicle?"

(a quiet time for your personal reflection and prayer)

Anthem – "Star of Hope"

## The Response

Announcements / Minute Person – Wilma Hunnie

\* Offering / Response

You shall be the path that guides us, You the light that in us burns; Shining deep within all people, Yours the love that we must learn, For our hearts shall wander restless Till they safe to you return; Finding you in one another, We shall all your face discern.

**Pastoral Prayer** 

- \* Hymn VU #639 "One More Step Along the World I Go"
- \* Benediction (VU #647)

Travel on, travel on, there's a spirit that is growing, The spirit grows like flowers every night and day. Travel on, travel on, with the spirit that is growing, The spirit will be with us all the way. Travel on, travel on, with the flower that is growing, The spirit will be with us all the way.

Rev. Dr. Sharon Wilson, Minister Patrick Woodbeck, Associate Minister Luci Toews, Church Administrator Laura Steidl, Music Director Kelsey Shiaro, "Joyful Noise" Director Myrna Hagues, Organist Pat Dumont & Nick Czehryn, Liturgists Gina Grant, Custodian

> Greeters: Kim & Bruce Bateman Ushers: Nicole & Claude Grenier