

"Hope for a Different World"

Approach

Carol Singing - VU #55, 9, 69

Music - KD Lang "You'll never walk alone"

Nelson Mandela speaks to WPUC (Craig Gibb)

Candle Lighting – Matt and Jennifer MacRae (married this year) Give us hope for the world, we are waiting, Give us hope for ourselves, we pray, Give us hope for your love and healing, Give us hope for a brand new day.

> Light a candle, light a candle, Light a candle while we wait and pray. Light a candle, light a candle, Light a candle of God's hope.

> > (Children leave for Bible Adventures)

The Word

Scripture Readings – Isaiah 2: 1-5 Matthew 24: 36-44

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

* Hymn VU #62 – "Once in Royal David's City"

Meditation - "Convinced that the world can be different"

Anthem - "Celtic Advent Carol"

The Response

* Offering / Response (tune MV #120)

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great, and our spirits sing of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait. A child will come to save us all, for his wisdom we all do yearn and from east to west, will his name be blest. Could the world be about to turn? My heart shall sing of the day you bring. let your Spirit within us burn. Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is about to turn!

Celebration of Communion

Post Communion Prayer

God of hope, for the bread we have eaten and the cup we have tasted, we thank you. You have touched us by your Spirit and challenged us to live as your people, through Jesus our Saviour. AMEN

- Hymn VU #64 "O Little Town of Bethlehem
 - Benediction / Response (tune MV #213) Take up his song of hope, and go into the world. Take up his song of hope in ev'ry moment. In ev'ry moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives; lay them down, in hope, lay them down, and take up his song.

Rev. Dr. Sharon Wilson, Minister Luci Toews, Church Administrator Myrna Hagues, Organist Pat Dumont, Liturgist Patrick Woodbeck, Associate Minister Laura Steidl, Music Director Gina Grant, Custodian

Douglas Gauthier and Gloria Waldron, Nursery Care Givers

Greeters: Joyce & Morris Deveson Ushers: Darlene Scott and Bev Baker Communion Servers: Anne Thoroughgood, June Kaan, Sylvia & Bob Mann