

This bulletin is dedicated in loving memory of
Ceanne Butt R.N.,
 January 23, 1953 – December 27, 2009
 from sisters-in-law Glenda Winsor and Gloria Le Feuvre
 and families

St. James United Church

December 28th, 2014/First Sunday after Christmas

Minister: Rev. Terrie Burry
 Minister of Visitation: Rev. Pamela Jones-Fitzgerald
 Minister of Youth/Christian Education: Susan Sheppard, DLM
 Choir: Senior
 Choir Director: Doreen Brown
 Organist: Gillian Burry

Please remain seated comfortably until invited to stand.
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Musical Prelude

Welcome and Life and Work of the Church



Call to Worship: (responsive)

One: Just as Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple-

All: We come to this place, brought together as family.

One: Just as Simeon followed the call of the Holy Spirit-

All: We come to this place, looking for the Messiah.

One: Just as Anna bore witness to Simeon's prophecy-

All: We come to this place, preparing ourselves to share the good news of God's love with all the world.

One: We come to this place-

All: To worship God!

Opening Prayer: (together) Creator of song and dance, we thank You for those who create music, for teachers and directors, for voices and choirs to sing. We praise You, O God, with stringed instruments and organs, with flutes and harps and trumpets. We praise You for angel choirs, for bird songs at dawn, for night-bird calls. We praise You, O God, for waterfalls that sing and dance. We praise You! Breathe through these soul instruments; make us flutes and feathers on the breath of God. Holy Spirit, gather up the songs and prayers of each heart that we might sing Your praises forever. Amen.

Hymn: *What Child Is This?* 74

Celebrating Relationships: Circle Song, Passing the Peace & Children's Time

Hymn: *Silent Night, Holy Night* 67

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

Offertory Hymn: *In the Bleak Midwinter, v. 4* 55

Offertory Prayer: The presents are unwrapped, God. The meals eaten. The families celebrated. For those gifts and for all Your gifts, we say "Thank You!" You have blessed us with Your love. You bless us with Your love. You bless all with Your love. Now. Forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 61:10 - 62:3

Music: *Away in a Manger* Victoria Smith, flutist

Scripture: Luke 2: 22-40

Christmas Carol Singing: led by Senior Choir

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn : *Joy to the World* 59

Blessing and Sending Forth

Postlude

Ushering this week is provided by:

Ushers in Charge: Audrey & Cecil Templeman

Greeters: Muriel Cole, Audrey Templeman

Ushers: Daphne & Bill Coish, Lorraine & Ron Robbins, Eric King, Robert Barnes, Oliver Weillon



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