

ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH (Williams Lake)

November 13, 2022

10:00 am

Sunday Worship

Ministers of the Gospel: Everyone!

Minister of Word, Sacrament & Pastoral Care: Rev Nancy Colton

Music Director: Rocco Catalano

Pianist: Michael Bruce

Stand Up Bass: Hal Giles

Order of Service

The Peace

One: In the name of Jesus, who is alive in each of us, peace to you.

All: **And also to you.**

Centering for Worship

Hymn – *Open Our Hearts*

MV 21

Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

One: You and I are here this morning because

God has called us to worship.

You and are not so different.

God made you in God's image.

God made me in God's image, too.

All: **We gather together,**

as the great people of God's making.

We gather to be transformed into

tighter unity with one another

and to further cement our connection

with our Creator.

One: Let us worship God boldly!

Opening Prayer (unison)

Holy One,

we have been told

that you know us –

from before we were born,

today, tomorrow, forever.

You know us in our difficulties.

You know us in our successes.

And you love us, no matter what.

Thank you.

In our words and in our worship, bless us.

Help us to know, deep within,

that you are with all your creation –

now and always! Let it be so.

Hymn – *Worship the Lord*

VU 401

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Hymn – *Like a Healing Stream*

MV 144

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 65:17-25 God shall create joy and delight; the wolf and the
lamb together.

Isaiah 12 Make God's deeds known to the nations. VU p. 880
(*singing the refrain*)

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Do not weary in doing what is right.

Luke 21:5-19 Persecution in the days to come; trust God!

Hymn – *God Who Gives to Life its Goodness*

VU 260

Sermon

Hymn – *My Life Flows On*

VU 716

Offering Prayer (unison)

God of abundance, you have called us to be the church, and so we share our abilities, resources, and love. Committed to the way of generosity, kindness, and grace, we offer ourselves. Receive our offerings of time, talent and treasure. Amen.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

VU 959

**The Life and Work of our Congregation*
Minute for Mission**

Hymn – *For the Healing of the Nations*

VU 678

Blessing and Sending Forth

Closing Song – *Go Now in Peace*

VU 964

*Full credits & acknowledgments
are in the Presider's copy of the service.*

The Life and Work of the Congregation

Thank you for being with us this morning, in the sanctuary or in your home, I'm so glad you've chosen to come. Thank you for continuing to support the congregation with your offerings of time, talent, and treasure.

United Church Calendars for 2023 – The 2023 calendars are available. Is anyone interested in purchasing one (or more.) We can make a bulk order if folks are interested. We likely won't have a large enough order to reduce the price per calendar but we would save on shipping. \$7.49 each.

Salt of the Earth Liturgical Calendars from U Hill UC – the 2022-2023 liturgical calendars (Advent through Reign of Christ Sunday) are available

now. If anyone is interested in getting one, we can make a bulk order to save on shipping. \$17.95 each. (There is a 20% discount for orders of 10 or more calendars.)

Board Meeting Date Change – the Board will meet in person on Wednesday, November 16 at 1:00 pm in the Library.

Upcoming Worship:

November 20 – in person worship and on Zoom. Rev Nancy leading worship.

November 27 – 1st Sunday of Advent - in person worship and on Zoom. Rev Nancy leading worship. Happy church year New Year!

December 4 – 2nd Sunday of Advent – in person worship and on Zoom. Rev Nancy leading worship.

December 11 – 3rd Sunday of Advent – in person worship and on Zoom. Rev Nancy leading worship. *There will be a meeting following worship; more details to follow. Rev Victoria Andrews is scheduled to be with us, representing the Pacific Mountain Region on this Sunday.*

December 18 – 4th Sunday of Advent – in person worship and on Zoom. Rev Nancy leading worship. This will be a communion service.

December 24 – Christmas Eve – Candlelight Service – in person and on Zoom. Rev Nancy leading worship.

December 25 – Christmas Day – no worship service

January 1 – New Years Day – in person worship only; no Zoom service. John Christoffersen leading worship. Happy secular New Year!

January 8 – in person worship and on Zoom. Rev Nancy leading worship.

