

Forest Hill United Church  
'open doors, open hearts, open minds'



4th Sunday after the Epiphany  
January 30, 2022 10 a.m.



WELCOME to worship!

## Gathering

Prelude: Tell Me the Stories of Jesus VU 357

Welcome:

Centering Prayer

Opening Hymn: I Feel the Winds of God Today VU 625

Time for All Ages: Just a mug

Prayer that Jesus Taught: A Paraphrase – VU p. 916

Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver  
Source of all that is and that shall be.  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven!  
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!  
The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!  
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope  
and come on earth.  
With the bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.  
From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.  
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,  
Now and forever.  
Amen.

Hymn of Praise: This Day God Gives Me

VU 410

Prayer of Confession:

**As we examine our lives, and our life together as God's people, we become aware that we do not always live in faithfulness to God's call.**  
**Amidst the distraction and drama of the world around us, focus our hearts and minds on you and your love. When we feel uncertain and unsettled by change, remind us of your blessing. When events upset us and leave us adrift, give us the confidence of being loved. Reassure us now with your everlasting love and mercy as we offer the confessions of our hearts** (*a time of silent prayer*)

Words of Assurance:

Jesus Christ modelled for us the way of faithful living. He reminded all followers that new life is God's gift when we sincerely desire to change. Forgiveness is ours as we love and care for others. Thanks be to the God of new beginnings!  
Amen.

## Exploring

Words from Our Bible:

Jeremiah 1: 4-10  
Psalm 71: 1-6 (VU p. 789 Part One)  
Luke 4: 21-30

One: In this is the word of God for the people of God.  
All: **Thanks be to God**

Reflection: Things Change

Special Music: Kyrie for Covid  
written and performed by Morgan Moats

## Responding

Prayers of Our Community

Sung Response: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying VU 400

**Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
send us love, send us power, send us grace!**

Closing Hymn:       Ka Mana'o 'I'O                               MV 103

Benediction

Postlude:        Though I May Speak                               VU 372  
                  As the Deer   VU 766

[Some prayers from Gathering: Advent/Christmas/Epiphany 2021-2022. Used with permission]

#### Land Acknowledgement

At Forest Hill United Church, we acknowledge that our church is built on ancestral, traditional and unceded Wolastoqey land.

#### Declaration of a Safe Place

Forest Hill United Church is a safe place for people to gather, regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, family status, sexual orientation and gender identity.

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