

Sunset United Church

An Affirming Ministry of the United Church of Canada

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ADVENT 2

Choir Leader: Nancy Edwards

Pianists: Shirley Hill and Kevin Petrychyn

Worship Hosts: Cal Newman,
Tim & Lynn Osborne

Candle-Lighters: Keigan Osborne

Reader: Mary Newman

Coffee: The Nelsons

MINISTERS: ALL OF US!

With Kathy Platt and Michelle McConkey

We pray that our worship is both 'child & adult friendly'.
Please feel free to make the language
of worship inclusive for you.
Please sit or stand as you are able.
Blessed be our time together.

WE GATHER

Prelude

Worship begins with the ringing of the prayer bowl

Gathering: #220 MV: *Hope Shines as the Solitary Star****

(words on screens)

Lighting of the Peace and Christ Candles



Welcome & Announcements

Choir Anthem: *Ave Maria Gratia Plena*

Opening words*

O come all ye faithful; come all ye doubtful.
Come all ye hopeful and weary,
All ye tired and expectant.
Come be open to the presence of the Holy One...

Breathe in the Holy.....

Breathe out all that clutters and distracts....
(repeated 3 times)

We are as ready as we can be – God is with us! Come, let us worship our God...

Opening Hymn: #38 – *Angels We Have Heard on High*
(verses one, two and four)(words on screens)



Passing of the Peace of Christ

WE LISTEN

Sacrament of Baptism[^]

*Grace Viola Sunshine...
And Elizabeth Cheryl Sunrain....
Sisters of Gabriel,
Daughters of Peter & Karen Wotherspoon*

Vows of the Congregation (please sit or stand as you are able)
We, as a community of fellow believers, promise to care for these children by our actions and our prayers. We are eager to surround them and their family with our love and our

care. We are, by this affirmation, inseparably bound with them. We promise to support and nurture all children, committing ourselves as a community to live in love as Jesus did, turning away from the murky waters that drag humanity down, to the crystal waters that buoy us up. We commit ourselves to sharing our faith with Grace, Elizabeth and Gabe, as, together, we walk with God.

Act of Baptism & anointing with oil

Hymn: #964- *Go Now in Peace*

Scripture:

“Many nations will go and say, ‘Come, let’s go up to the Lord’s mountain, to the house of Jacob’s God so that he may teach us his ways and we may walk in God’s paths.’” ~ Isaiah 2: 1-5

“Mary said, ‘I am the Lord’s servant. Let it be with me just as you have said.’” ~ Luke 1: 26-38

“When Joseph woke up, he did just as an angel from God commanded and took Mary as his wife.” ~ Matthew 1: 18-25

Reflection

WE RESPOND

Hymn: #161 MV – *I Have Called You by Your Name* *^*
(words on screens)

Our Offerings are Received

Doxology: words by L. Erhardt
(words on screens)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer (#959)

Hymn: #624 – Give To Us Laughter
(words on screens)

Commissioning & Blessing

Sung Response: *Amen, Amen, Amen!*

Postlude



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