



St. Thomas United Church
Open Hands – Open Hearts – Open Minds

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Sunday, February 19, 2017, 10:00am
Theme: Going Beyond

† indicates stand as you are able
Bold indicates participation by the people

MV = More Voices
VU = Voices United

We Gather With

PRELUDE: *Kari Orosz: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah with Eine Kleine Nachtmusik – arr. by D. Linda McKechnie*

WELCOME to our Livestream Worship Service

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TREATY 7 LAND

GREETING ONE ANOTHER & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Wicker Prayer Basket will be sent around – if you have a prayer, please print clearly on a prayer slip, place your prayer in the wicker basket, and pass the basket along)

INTROIT: *I Am the Light of the World (v.1)*

VU#87

CHRIST CANDLE & SILENCE – *(Paul Ketchabaw)*

CALL TO WORSHIP: **(Responsive)**

We are called to turn the other cheek.

We will seek to be vulnerable in our lives of faith and service.

We are called to go the extra mile.

We will be with those around us in the journeys of hope as well as fear.

We are called to love those who make that so hard.

We will rely on the One who loves us to fill us with that special grace.

OPENING PRAYER: *(Leader)*

(Children and Youth are invited to join their leaders at one of the entrances to the Sanctuary)

†HYMN: *Your Love Is Amazing*

MV#26

SCRIPTURE: *Matthew 5:38-48 (NRSV)*

Scripture Reader: Harold Black

Affirmation:

One: This is the witness of The Church,

Many: thanks be to God!

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Adult Choir: Praise the Lord – by Handel; arr. by Hopson*

THE MESSAGE: *Complete*

†HYMN: *Though I May Speak*

VU#372

MINUTE FOR MISSION: *Rendez-vous!*

INVITATION TO OPEN HANDS

OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN HANDS

with our Offerings & Prayers.

†OFFERTORY: *We Give You But Your Own*

VU#542

†OFFERTORY PRAYER: ***(Unison)***

We are called to share with everyone – our coats, our cloaks, our love, our forgiveness. May these gifts we offer be tangible hope to those walking in despair, real food for hungry children, safe shelter for the homeless, peace and reconciliation for the broken. This we ask in the name of Jesus. Amen.

CALL TO PRAYER: *Bathe Me in Your Light (v.1)*

MV#82

PASTORAL PRAYERS & PRAYER OF JESUS (*Unison*)

†COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION: (*Responsive*)

God teaches us to love, even imperfect people like ourselves.

We go to love those all around us.

God would teach us to deny ourselves, even walking the extra mile with us.

We will seek to give ourselves to others as generously as Jesus has been given to us.

HYMN: *Spirit, Open My Heart*

MV#79

POSTLUDE

Participating in worship leadership today: Rev. Tracy Robertson, Kari Orosz, The Adult Choir, Harold Black, Elaine Taylor-Kerr, Brian Shewan, Jan & Keith Campbell, Matt Taylor-Kerr, Kristin Raugust, Cathy Rivard, Ashley Gibbons, Paul Ketchabaw, Erin MacLean-Berko, Tess & Harold Ashley.