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A diverse, welcoming, caring, and active faith community.

A place to learn, grow, build a relationship with God,  
and make a difference in the world.

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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022**  
~ Second Sunday after Epiphany ~

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## SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022

Worship Team: Rev. Dr. Abiel Khalema with the Inclusivity Committee  
(Mallory Brennan, Jane Walker, Dan Leaver, Linda Olson,  
Jen Cline, Margo Bettger-Hahn)

Music Team: Karen Schuessler, Adult Choir, Gillian Laidlaw (soprano),  
Liz Dunlop (violin), Richard Yake (piano), Brian Ratcliffe (piano)

*VU = red hymnal Voices United | MV = More Voices hymnal  
Music Credits: One License #A-738765 | \* = stand if able*

## WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (Luther) Liz Dunlop and Richard Yake  
Life and Work of the Church Jane Walker  
Indigenous Land Acknowledgment Dan Leaver  
Lighting of the Christ Candle Dan Leaver

## WE APPROACH GOD

\*Call to Worship Jane Walker

One: Beloved community, let us draw the circle wide!

**All: And draw it wider still.**

One: We come — laden with doubts, fears, resentments...

**All: ...to worship the God who gives us faith, courage, renewal.**

One: We come — overwhelmed with remorse,  
or struggling with what it means to forgive...

**All: ...to worship the God who teaches us true restoration.**

One: We come — with identities varied as the colors of the rainbow...

**All: ...to worship the God who weaves our many threads  
into one tapestry.**

One: We come, and the circle is drawn wide  
— and wider — and wider still!

**All: Not by our strength, not by our merit, but through God's grace.**

\*Hymn: We Are One VU 402 v. 1 & 4

Opening Prayer Jane Walker

Holy One, who breathes life into each one of us and all of Creation,  
we give thanks for the wonderful diversity of your Creation.  
Help us to hold one another closely in love, compassion, and celebration, that  
we may give thanks that we are all your children. Amen.

Learning with Children Dan Leaver

Special Music: "Ring Out Wild Bells!" (Gounod) Gillian Laidlaw

## WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Introduction to the Play Mallory Brennan

Act 1: Before the Vote Inclusivity Committee

Anthem: A New Year (M. H. Ochs) Adult Choir

Act 2: After the Vote Inclusivity Committee

\*Hymn: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (sing twice) VU 400

Act 3: What Now? Inclusivity Committee

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

Response Rev. Abiel Khalema

Offertory Prayer Rev. Abiel Khalema

Prayers of the People (Scene 13) Margo Bettger-Hahn

\*Hymn: Draw the Circle Wide (see insert) MV 145

\*Commissioning and Benediction Rev. Abiel Khalema

\*Congregational Response (sing twice) VU 649 refrain only

Postlude: Le Faun (Ethel Barns) Liz Dunlop and Richard Yake

## ~~~WORSHIP ENDS – SERVICE BEGINS~~~

A warm welcome to all that are present today and to all watching on-line at this time of worship  
and fellowship. Your presence enriches our church family.  
May we all feel blessed today by the fellowship we have received.