

Jan 28, 2024 4th Sunday After Epiphany
Rev. Lynn Hamilton

We Gather to Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Land Acknowledgement We acknowledge our Creator and the world around us and our place within it. We acknowledge the many nations who call this land home. We acknowledge the Indigenous and non-Indigenous brothers and sisters who walked this land in the past and those who walk it today, this, the traditional and treaty lands of the Anishinaabeg (Ahnish-in-nah-beg), Neutral, and Haudenosaunee (Ho-deh-no-show-nee) peoples.

Gathering Hymn: Where two or Three Are Gathered in My Name MV 14 (twice)

**Where two or three are gathered in my name,
I am there, I am there.**

Call to Worship

Arise, Shine!

God of Promise and mysterious Light, be with us this day as we journey in faith following Your Light, the Christmas star lights our way;

We follow to meet your Gift, Jesus the Christ.

Give us courage and hope along our way, as your light will continue to glow brightly in our path, leading us to service and discipleship in Jesus' Name.

Lets us worship together in faith and trust and song!

Open Bible and Light Christ Candle

May the God whom we know through Jesus the Christ be present among us and within as we gather this day.

Hymn VU #371 Open My Eyes, That I May See

Opening Prayer and Prayer of Confession

(...Leader prayer)

Gracious God, we confess there are many times we forget you. We focus on what troubles us and ignore the help you offer.

We seek wisdom and meaning in the wrong places. In thoughtless moments, we harm the earth and each another.

Forgive us. Remind us to live each day focused on your purposes revealed in Christ who loves us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (in Unison)

Hear the good news: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone. New life has begun. Thanks be to God that we can make a new start, forgiven and set free.

We Listen for God's Word

Time for the young at heart

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Holy friend, may the reflections of our hearts and the words of our mouths rest in you, our God.

Scripture Reading –[Mark 1:21-28](#)

Anthem

Sharing Good News

Hymn VU 570 Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands

We Respond to God's Word

Offering

Invitation to offering

Doxology VU #541 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures high and low;
give thanks to God in love made known:
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.**

Minute for Mission

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

(...Leader prayer)

Lord, hear our prayer

And in your Love answer

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven, give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us, lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thou is the kingdom the power and glory, forever and ever Amen.

We Take Christ's Message Into the World

Hymn VU 670 Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Benediction and Commissioning

Go Now in Peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen, amen, amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our church! Please fill out the ‘Let’s Celebrate Together’ form at the back of the sanctuary and place it in the manila envelope provided. ‘*Let’s Celebrate Together*’. If you are visiting today, do not feel an obligation to contribute to the offering. Please consider this service our gift to you.

January 28: Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Every day we receive abundant gifts, but we are not meant to keep them. When you pass along a gift to a neighbour or the world, trust that you and they will have enough.

UPCOMING – February 4, 2024 Fifth After Epiphany

Scripture: Bev Hodgson, Gloria D’Hondt

[Mark 1:29-39](#)

Livestream: Jim D, Powerpoint: Marjorie

Lift Up Your Spirit- rescheduled date for Potluck and book study is Tuesday January 30, 12:30 p.m. at Marg Walkers

Grief Group

Woodhouse is offering a Grief Support Group called HOPE based upon the resource “*Understanding Your Grief, Ten Essential Touchstones for finding hope and healing your heart*”, by Alan D. Wolfelt.

Our next session is **Monday February 5 at 1:30 p.m.**

In the hall at Woodhouse

Together we will explore the journey of grief and mourning. All are welcome to attend.

Contact Donna Jones or Heather King for more information
hking@kwic.com or 226-931-9434

ATTENTION ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Annual reports are due February 18, 2024 to Marjorie Dawson. Email mevdawson@gmail.com

Seeds of Hope 2024 Grants Now Open - approach Rev. Lynn with ideas for funding. Applications due April 15.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Let’s Celebrate—Jan 28-Feb 3

Pastoral Charge Birthdays

Diana MacKenzie January 28
Terry Grace January 30
Robyn York January 30

WEATHER NOTIFICATIONS

To find out if the Grace Church is open or closed on a Sunday when the weather seems bad, check our website or MyFM. Notification of closure will be made by 9:00 am.

<http://www.graceunitedportdover.org>

Week at a Glance MONDAY Jan 29 to SUNDAY Feb 4

Day	Time	Event	Where
Mon.			
Tues	9:30 am 1:30 pm 12:30 pm	Staff Meeting Hand & Foot LUYS Potluck	Office Gr. Room M. Walker’s
Wed	3:00 pm	Grace Choir	Sanctuary
Thurs	9:30 am 10:00 am 12:30 pm	Office Volunteers Woodhouse Choir Woodhouse Rental	Parlour Woodhouse Woodhouse
Sun.	9:30 am 11:00 am	Woodhouse Service Grace Service	Woodhouse Sanctuary

A Valentine Ensemble- Music by The Soenen Sisters

Sun Feb 18, 2024, 2:30 pm

Delhi United Church (105 Church St W, Delhi)
Tickets \$35 available at NGH gift shop, Margaret Saunders
519-582-0796 or Judy Boughner 519-582-3892

Please submit announcements by 9am Tuesday to be included in the bulletin. Thank you!

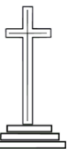
Welcome to the Port Dover – Woodhouse

Pastoral Charge

Woodhouse United Church and

Grace United Church

Sunday January 28, 2024



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