

To every thing there is a season . . .  
Ecclesiastes 3:1



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~~ First Sunday after Christmas ~~

*"This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it"*

*Psalm 118:24*

## We Celebrate the Good News

### The Gathering of God's People

Time to speak with each other

### Greeting

"The Lord be with you....

**And also with you."**



*Please fill out and pass the Friendship Books.*

*Visitors, please fill in your address as well. Thank You!*

## Prelude

Gabriella Fryer

## The Call to Worship

Deacon Jerry Carey / Congregation

Now that the mad rush of Christmas is over,  
O center of stillness and peace:

**Now that the needles are falling from the tree,  
We thank you that you are still God-with-us.**

As we face the year ahead,  
help us to accept the difficult parts of our lives;  
**As the frigid days of January and February draw near**

**help us to keep warm places alive within us,**

As we face the year ahead,  
we thank you for one another and for your grace in Jesus Christ.

**All: Help us individually and as a congregation  
to be signs of your compassion, hope, joy, and unity  
in this world you love. Amen.**

## The Welcoming Prayer/God’s Greeting

*Rev. Keith Tamlyn*

## The Call to Confession

*Deacon Jerry Carey*

## Prayer of Confession

You give us a vision of a world made new, O God, yet we find it so easy to abide in the old. You promise your presence among us, yet we seek so often to hide from it. We continue to mourn for our own way, though you have promised to wipe the tears from our eyes. When the former things have passed away, will we still long for what used to be? You are the beginning and the end; the middle we cling to for ourselves. We confess our nearsightedness and beg for eyes open to the new creation. May we enter the coming year made whole by your grace. Amen.

## Words of Assurance / The Law

*Deacon Jerry Carey*

## “Glory Be to the Father”

### Anthem

Gabriella Fryer



## *We Proclaim the Good News*

### Prayer of Illumination

## Scripture

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-13

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

The Message  
“In God’s Time”  
Rev. Keith Tamlyn

**Sermon Hymn: “This Is a Time to Remember” #792**



*We Respond to the Good News*

*(Please print your prayer request on the blue card in the pew rack  
and deposit in offering plate.)*

The Offering

The Doxology

The Offertory Prayer

**Thank you, God of love, for the promise of this season. We are grateful for the generosity aroused in us by Christ’s coming into the world. May these gifts represent a new spirit of joyous sharing among us, for the sake of all your children everywhere. Amen.**

**Prayer Hymn: “Emmanuel, Emmanuel” (2X) #140**

*Prayers of Thanksgiving (Pastor)*

**The 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 debts, as we forgive our  
debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Sending Hymn: “Once in Royal David’s City” (vs1,2,4)#161**

Benediction

Postlude