

# Quispamsis United Church

January 2, 2022 – Second Sunday after Christmas

**President:** Sue King MTS LLWL

**Musicians:** Three Choirs Hampton United, Quispamsis United, Saint David's United sing "The Christmas Promise" Cantata composed by Janet Kidd 2018

**Reader:** Greg Lapointe

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*Centering Passage: Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.*

*John 14:6*

## GATHERING TOGETHER

**Acknowledgement of Territories**

**Celebrations**

**Announcements**

**Prelude:** Be Thou My Vision, Wendy Stewart

**Light the Christ Candle**

**Call to Worship (Responsive):**

Today we are in the season of beginnings, a new year, new resolutions, new hope!

**We come to seek you, to walk with you, to plant our feet on the path of your Way.**

Today we are in a season of being in-between; looking back, amazed by the babe in the manger and looking forward to the life that Jesus lived.

**We come to learn from you with new eyes, new heart, and new hope to plant our feet on the path of your Way.**

Today we come to look back and look forward and rest in our journey with you. Our weariness we lay at your feet, and we choose to rest together in You.

**As we take time today to hear lessons in song, open our hearts to the moving of your Spirit to plant our feet on the path of your Way**

**Opening Prayer**

Today, Loving God, we do indeed come to praise You and seek You as we enter a new calendar year. We ask that the gifts we have received through Advent grow in our hearts so we may share your Hope, your Peace, your Joy, and your Love with many in this year to come. As we have seen and heard with excitement the birth of the Son of God, who came so that we might become one with God, Creator and Spirit, spark in us a desire to receive this love and light in a deeper way. In this New Year we ask you to make our doors wider, spread our table longer and welcome more into our faith journey. You are our Truth, Our Life and Our Way and we come together to worship you.

**Amen**



- 2 Joy to the earth! the Saviour reigns:  
let all their songs employ,  
while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains  
repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.**
- 3 No more let sins and sorrows grow,  
nor thorns infest the ground:  
he comes to make his blessings flow  
far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found,  
far as, far as the curse is found.**
- 4 He rules the earth with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness  
and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, wonders of his love.**

### **Benediction**

Go now to follow the way of Jesus:  
dare to give freely as he did;  
love unconditionally as he did  
and see others as he did.

Know that you are embraced by his grace to greet this year  
You are not and never will be alone  
For He is our Truth, Our Way, Our Life

**Amen**

**Postlude**                    We Shall Go Out with Joy