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\* Ἐν ἀρχῇ ἦν ὁ λόγος \* In the beginning was the Word \* Au commencement était la Parole \* An toiseach bhá am Focal \* Al principio, c'era colui che è "la Parola" \*

**Epiphany** \* *indicates standing if able* **04 February 2024**

**Port Wallis United Church  
is an Affirming Congregation  
that openly welcomes you as a child of God,  
made in God's Image, and loved by God.**

**WELCOME / BIENVENUE / FAILTE / PJILA'DIK**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND**

**CALL TO WORSHIP \***

Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens!

**Who created these wonders?**

Look at the beauty of the world around you!

**Who created these wonders?**

Cast your eyes on the people around you!

**Who created these wonders?**

Have you not seen? Have you not heard?

**Who created these wonders?**

The LORD, the Source of Creation,

**Let us worship God who created these wonders!**

Amen!

**HYMN # 27 (MV) CREATOR GOD YOU GAVE US LIFE \***

**PRAYER OF APPROACH and THE LORD'S PRAYER \***

God of Mystery, giving us wings of imagination to fly to your side and rest in your healing presence, send your Holy Spirit into our worship that we may soar with her to your side.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who taught us to pray before You saying,

**Our Father..... Notre Père..... Ar n-Athair.... 주님의 기도**

**Onze Vader... Vater unser... Padre nuestro... Baba Yetu...**

**主の祈り 主禱文 اَبَاتَا Isä meidän Πάτερ ἡμῶν**

## LEARNING TIME and PRAYER

In peace, dear God, I come to You through Jesus Christ who makes me new  
And while I run or play or rest, be with those whom I love best,  
Guide me in your Holy Way, as You walk with me each day, Amen.

**HYMN # 154 (MV) DEEP IN OUR HEARTS \***

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

**First Testament Lesson: Isaiah 40: 21 - 31**

**Responsive Psalm 14**

*The Choir will sing the response through first and then we will join them for the second sing through and every time thereafter.*

***God protects the righteous  
defending right from wrong!***

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God."

**This leads them into corruption, their deeds are vile;  
soon there is no one who will do good if their hearts are  
empty of God.**

The LORD looks down from heaven on all humanity  
to see if there are any who understand, any who seek God.

**All have turned away, all have become corrupt;  
there is no one who does good, not even one.**

***God protects the righteous  
defending right from wrong!***

Do all these evildoers know nothing?

**They devour God's people as though eating bread;  
they never call on the LORD.**

But they will become overwhelmed with dread,

**for God is present in the company of the righteous.**

Beware, O evildoers, you who frustrate the plans of the poor,  
the LORD is their refuge.

***God protects the righteous  
defending right from wrong!***

Oh, that salvation for the Children of God  
would suddenly appear,

**would come out of Zion like a flood in the desert!**

When the LORD restores the righteous,

let the children of God rejoice!  
And let the holy ones be glad!

*God protects the righteous  
defending right from wrong!*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end, Amen.

**Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9: 16 – 23**

**ANTHEM**

**Gospel: Mark 1: 29 – 39 \***

**REFLECTION ON THE LESSONS**

**HYMN # 372 (VU) THOUGH I MAY SPEAK \***

*Our offerings will be received as we sing this hymn*

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**HYMN # 357 (VU) TELL ME THE STORIES OF JESUS \***

**COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION \***

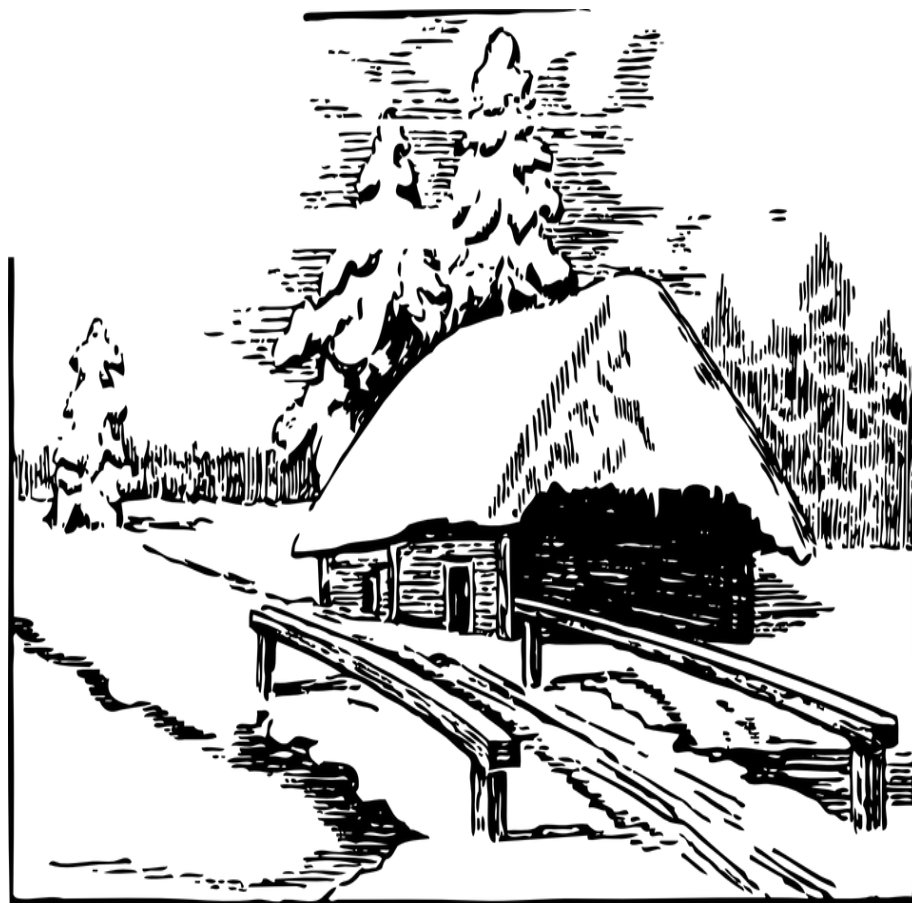
**CHORAL PARTING PRAYER (MV # 214) \***

May God's sheltering wings, Her gathering wings protect you,  
May God's nurturing arms, His cradling arms, sustain you,  
And hold you in Their love! And hold you in God's love.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE CHURCH COMMUNITY**

**MUSICAL POSTLUDE**



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