St. Paul's United Church

February 7th, 2021-Season after Epiphany
Portions of the service printed in **bold** are spoken by the whole congregation.

Mission Statement: To glorify God through Worship, proclaiming the Gospel of Christ and serving others in Christ's name.

GATHERING TOGETHER

Prelude

Greeting (Unison)

God of power and love, you raised Jesus from death to life, resplendent in glory to rule over all creation. Free the world to rejoice in his peace, to glory in his justice, and to live in his love. Unite all humankind in Jesus Christ your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsive):

Jesus said "Love one another."

We come to worship God who is love, that we may learn to love one another.

Jesus said "No longer do I call you servants, now I call you my friends."

We come to worship God, whose friends we are in Christ. Let us sing praise to God and live in love and friendship through Jesus Christ.

Prayer of the Day

Interlude

Prayer of Illumination (Unison)

O God, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love. Amen

Today's Scripture: Luke 7:1-17 This is the Word of our God.

Praise be to you, O Creator.

Message Saints or Sinners, Do we Decide?

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Dedication (Unison):

Ever present God, with this offering we present also ourselves; all that we have been, all that we are, and all that we shall become. We resolve to walk in your way and learn the teachings of Christ. Accept us and our offering, we pray for Jesus' sake. Amen

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: Love Divine VU 333

SENDING FORTH

Commissioning (Unison)

Gracious God, we thank you for calling us into a delightful ministry of teaching and learning together. Help us to recognize and celebrate the gifts that each one brings to this community of faith. Help us to treasure and strengthen the strands that connect us to one another and to you. Guide us and empower us to live what we learn, to serve your world following Christ's example. Amen

Benediction

Postlude

Food For Thought "Give freely to the world these gifts of love and compassion. Do not concern yourself with how much you receive in return, just know in your heart it will be returned." — Steve Maraboli, <u>Life, the Truth, and Being Free</u>

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