

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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November 20th, 2016 11 am
Anniversary Sunday (1887-2016) – Celebrating 129 years!
Christ the King Sunday

Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this holy morning! We hope you feel at home in our midst. If you are visiting or new to the congregation please introduce yourself to Rev. Burke. Grace and peace to you all!

THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

Some people are your relatives but others are your ancestors, and you choose the ones you want to have as ancestors. You create yourself out of those values.
Ralph Ellison

T H E G A T H E R I N G

*Please rise in body or in spirit for sections marked with an asterisk.

*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

*INTROIT: Hope Shines as the Solitary Star (#220 MV)

Hope shines as the solitary star. Faith is the inner light.
You and I together mirror the Light of Lights,
and illumine the pathway home.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: For 129 years people have been gathering here in this place to worship God.

People: For 129 years people have been gathering here to sing and pray, to bless and be blessed.

Leader: For 129 years men and women have preached, and baptized, and celebrated the Lord's Supper here.

People: For 129 years, people have gathered to share in the work and the fellowship; to share in the joys and the sorrows,

Leader: to remember what *was*, to be faithful witnesses *now*,

People: And to look forward to what God has in store for us all!

Leader: And now, as it has been for 129 years, our worship continues in the name of Jesus, who was, and is, and evermore shall be!

***HYMN # 213 VU Rejoice, the Lord is King**

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD’S PRAYER:

God of all history, God of our hearts, we gather this day in gratitude and trust. Help us to glean wisdom from the past; to trust you in the days to come; and to serve you in the holy “now”. May we celebrate every day that you give us with joyful praise, and abundant hope. This we ask in the spirit of Jesus, who taught his friends to pray together, saying:

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 who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil,

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,

For ever and ever. Amen.

CHILDREN’S HYMN #575 VU I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me v.1

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

CHILDREN’S HYMN #575 VU I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me v.2

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY: All That We Have (From *Gather*)

All that we have and all that we offer,
Comes from a heart both frightened and free.
Take what we bring now and give what we need.
All done in his name.

T H E W O R D O F G O D

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Joshua 4:1-9

SERMON: *Sacred Stones, Sacred Stories*

ANTHEM

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Invitation

***HYMN #471 VU Eat This Bread And Never Hunger**

***A New Creed #918 VU**

**We are not alone,
we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

3.

We are called to be the Church:

**to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.**

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (sung refrains: #203-205 MV, Kingsfold)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift our hearts in prayer.

Let us give thanks to God.

We offer joyful thanks to God.

We give you thanks, God of all time and place. Through the words of your prophets and the faith of your followers you prepare the way of our redemption and bring hope to birth. And though we often grow weary of waiting, your signs call us to keep watch for that day when all things shall be made new.

In assurance of this hope, we join with the saints of all time and place to give you praise, singing:

Oh, holy, holy, holy God, O God of time and space.

All earth and sea and sky above bear witness to your grace.

Hosanna in the highest heaven, creation sings your praise,

And blessed is the One who comes and bears your name always!

On the same night in which he was betrayed, Jesus sat at table with his friends. And he took bread, and he blessed it and broke it, and he passed it to them, saying: Take, eat, this is my body, given for you. This do in remembrance of me.

And after supper he took the cup, saying: this is the new covenant poured out for you in my blood, for the forgiveness of sins. As often as you drink this, this do in remembrance of me.

We do remember, and we give thanks for such love; a love poured out for all. And in our remembering, we proclaim the mystery of our faith, singing:

*Sing Christ has died and Christ is risen,
Christ will come again!
Sing Christ has died and Christ is risen,
Christ will come again!*

Holy God, pour out your Spirit upon us, that we may know Christ in the breaking of bread, and that in word and deed, we may be channels of your love, peace, and justice in the world. Through Christ, all glory and honour are yours, with the Holy Spirit, in the holy church, now and forever.

*Amen, amen, O Holy One! Hosanna and Amen!
Amen, amen, O Holy One! Hosanna and Amen!*

-----*We Share the Feast*-----

Prayer After Communion (Unison)

We give thanks that bread broken brings wholeness; that wine poured out replenishes; that time spent with the Risen Christ and one another is gift and grace. Amen.

***HYMN #410 VU This Day God Gives Me**

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BLESSING: #193 MV God Bless To Us Our Bread**

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If you know of someone in hospital please notify the Church. Please forward items of prayer and celebration to the Minister. For emergencies, you may call Rev. Burke at 470-9634.

Greeters This Week: Maxine and Shirley MacConnell

Tellers This Week: Lloyd Penney and Bob Watson

Trustees On Duty (Nov): Jim Merrill and Lloyd Penney

LOOKING AHEAD:

Mon., Nov. 21st - 8:00 am - Outreach - Christ Church Cathedral

Sun., Nov. 27th - 11:00 am - Worship Service - Advent I

Tue., Nov. 29th - 1:30 pm - Session

7:00 pm - Board of Trustees Meeting

Fri., Dec. 2nd - 6:00 pm - Progressive Dinner (see over)

Sun., Dec. 4th - 11:00 am - Worship Service - Advent II

Tues., Dec. 6th - 7:00 pm - Official Board Meeting

Sun., Dec. 11th - 11:00 am - Worship Service - Advent III

Coffeetime following service

Join us following the service today for a sit down potluck luncheon as we celebrate our 129th anniversary at New Maryland United! We look forward to this time of fellowship and food!

CHURCH NEWSLETTER - All submissions for the December issue of 'The Beacon' may be left at the church office or forwarded to klister1938@gmail.com on or before Monday, November 28th.

Plans are underway for our annual **"Progressive Dinner"** for **Friday evening, December 2nd at 6 pm.** Sue & Paul Morrison have offered to host the appetizer course and Ginny & John Kershaw have graciously offered to

host the main course. We will finish off the evening with dessert at the home of Revs. Kelly and Jane. Join in the fun and add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back door for whichever course you'd like to contribute to. 6. The **OUTREACH COMMITTEE** would like to commission a painting to bring attention to the **Food Bank Donations** bench that is in the main foyer. We are looking for a volunteer to paint/draw something to be hung on the wall above the storage bench. We have a few ideas but are lacking the artistic talent. If you are interested, please contact someone from the Outreach Committee. Inspiration for the sign could be something like, *Isaiah 58:10 If you pour yourself out for the hungry and satisfy the desire of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in the darkness and your gloom be as the noonday.*

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"THE TUPLING FAMILY"

The costs involved in going through a transplant are astronomical. If you would like to help the Tupling family out, you can do so by going through the church. Just mark "Ron Tupling" on your envelope and we will make sure your donation is deposited in their bank account. And please know that your offering of prayer is even more appreciated! **On Sunday, December 4th following the service, the C.D. Committee is hosting a "Slow Cooker Luncheon" with proceeds to go the Tupling family.**

The **MEN'S CLUB** will be holding their **Christmas dinner at Dolan's Pub at 6 pm on Monday, Dec. 12th** followed by a tour of Gray Stone Craft Brewery at **7:30 pm**. This invitation is open to all men of the congregation. Please let Dave Ward or Keith Ball know your interest no later than **Dec 11th**.

GREEN TIP: Check your car tire pressure – lower temperatures cause lower tire pressure which reduces gas efficiency. Check your car headlights – do you have 2 working ones?? Many cars on the road these dark mornings and evenings DON'T HAVE 2 WORKING HEADLIGHTS!! 7.

FOOD BANK - For the month of **November**, we will focus on **beans of any type**. Please note that **condiments** always come in handy as well. Another item that is much appreciated is plastic bags, as they go through 1000's in a month. It is noted that food bank donations have been down over the last few months and with winter coming it would be great to increase our contributions. Any food items are greatly appreciated.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

The NEW MARYLAND LIONS CLUB canvasses the village in early December with a “**Food & Toy Drive**”. The Christmas hampers help families in need in the New Maryland and surrounding areas. In the past, our Church has collected **canned peas** to contribute to this project. The peas would need to be in by **Sunday, December 4th**.

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY – The **2016 Christmas ornament** is available (\$12) each. Contact Allen or Marilyn Parlee at 459-8007. There is a sample in the Church office.

WILMOT UNITED CHURCH GIANT AUCTION takes place **Saturday, November 26th** at corner of King and Carleton. Viewing and bidder registration begin at 8:30 a.m. and auction (live and silent) starts at 10:00 a.m. Hundreds of quality items up for bids! For a sneak peak at some of the items, please visit www.wilmotuc.nb.ca/auction .

GIBSON MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH – “**Market & Breakfast**” on **Sat., Nov. 26th, 8 am – 12 noon**. All proceeds are for Gibson's Outreach Programs.

NASHWAAKSIS UNITED CHURCH - Come join us for a **Nativity Tea** on **Friday, Dec. 2nd**, from **2–4 pm and 7-9** at the Nashwaaksis United

Church auditorium (46 Main St). Sandwiches and sweets will be served with tea, coffee, or apple cider. Enjoy the many unique variations of the Nativity and help us celebrate the Advent Season. **Admission by donation. 8.**