

# NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 11 am  
Service of Remembrance and Commitment to Peace

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. Peace to you all!

## THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

*Katherine would get into a shabby old Brooks raincoat much too long for her, put on a little round wool hat, pull on a pair of overshoes, and proceed to the edge of the plot, with dozens of brown paper packages of new bulbs and a basketful of old ones, ready for the intricate internment. As the years went, there was something comical yet touching in her bedraggled appearance on this awesome occasion—the small, hunched over figure, her studied absorption in the implausible notion that there would be yet another spring, oblivious to the ending of her own days, which she knew perfectly well was near at hand, under those dark skies in the dying October, calmly plotting the resurrection.                      E.B. White*

## THE GATHERING

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

\*Processional: *Off to Dublin/ German Army March/ Battle of the Somme*  
Piper: Lewis Morgan

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: The peace of Christ be with you.**

**People: And also with you.**

**Leader: Today we stop and remember:**

**People: The tragedy of war: the lives lost; the hearts broken; the families who have grieved.**

**Leader: Today we stop and remember:**

**People: The legacy of the past: the courage of many; the price of peace; the freedom. Today we stop and remember that peace still takes courage.**

**OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

**O God of many names, lover of all nations and all people, we pray for peace: peace in our hearts, in our homes, in our nation, and in our world. We pray for your peace, which passes all understanding. This we ask in the spirit of Jesus, the Prince of Peace, 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.**

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Leader:** On this day of remembering, O God, we ask forgiveness for those qualities in us that make war possible.

**People: We acknowledge that there are times when we have not sought justice;**

**Leader:** times when we do not seek the ways of peace;

**People: times when we believe our way, to be the only way.**

**Leader:** times when we harden our spirits to the suffering of others.

**ALL: Forgive us, O God.**

----- *a time of waiting* -----

***CHOIR: Sung Response (#948 VU O God Hear My Prayer)***

### **The Assurance of Pardon:**

**Leader:** There is nothing – absolutely nothing - that can separate us from God’s love! In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, our sins are forgiven, our broken-ness made whole.

**People: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## **SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE**

**Reading of names of those who made the supreme sacrifice:**

**William Elderkin**

**Ring of the Bell: Brooke-Lyn Power**

**Placing of the Wreath of Remembrance: Emma Geneau, W.O.**

**Reading: John McCrae’s *In Flanders Fields*: Amber Knorr, Jessica Tupling, Emma Knorr, Abby Tupling**

**Act of Remembrance - Rev. Kelly**

**Leader:** They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun, and in the morning, we will remember them.

**ALL: We will remember them.**

## **\*Silent Remembrance**

(as you are able, we will stand for the time of silence. Brooke-Lyn will ring the bell to begin the 2 minutes of silence. She will ring it again, to end the silence.)

**Lament:** *Flowers of the Forest* piper: Lewis Morgan

**Readings:** Bill Elderkin – *Manifesto To The Times* (1917), by Siegfried Sassoon  
– *The Mother* (1917), by May Herschel-Clark

## **\*HYMN#678 VU For The Healing Of The Nations**

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

**THE SCRIPTURE LESSON:** John 12: 24-26

**ANTHEM:** *We Are Called* Hayes/Haas

**SERMON:** *On War and Tulips and Resurrection*

## **\*HYMN#703 VU In The Bulb There is a Flower**

### **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.

#### **PRAYER LITANY FOR REMEMBRANCE DAY (responsively)**

Loving God, Today we remember all those who have served in our country's armed forces.

**O God, giver of peace, hear our prayer.**

For the family members who have made great sacrifices in order to make it possible for their service members to be on watch at home or around the world or to go into harm's way,

**O God, giver of peace, hear our prayer.**

For the families who grieve the death of a member who went in harm's way, never to return,

**O God, giver of peace, hear our prayer.**

Jesus tells us that no one has greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends. For all those who have been willing to lay down their lives for us,

**O God, giver of peace, hear our prayer.**

For the veterans of past wars who bear scars in their bodies and spirits,

**O God, giver of peace, hear our prayer.**

For veterans who came home but struggle to find their place within their home or community anymore,

**O God, giver of peace, hear our prayer.**

Keep all our veterans and current members of the forces in your care today. Grant them the peace they sought to preserve for others. As we honour them, we also pray for people everywhere who struggle for freedom and dignity.

**O God, giver of peace, hear our prayer.**

Remind us again, O God, of your call upon our lives. Make us signs of your generosity, justice and peace. Light us each day with hope, that we may walk in your truth and be love in your name.

**O God, giver of peace, hear our prayer. Amen.**

**\*HYMN # 684 VU Make Me A Channel of Your Peace**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL BLESSING: Blessing Song #962 VU**

**May the blessing of God go before you.  
May her grace and peace abound.  
May her Spirit live within you.  
May her love wrap you round.  
May her blessing remain with you always.  
May you walk on holy ground.  
May you walk on holy ground.**

**\*Postlude:**

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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:** John and Ginny Kershaw

**Tellers This Week:** Lloyd Penney and Jim Merrill

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

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

**Sun., Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> - 11:00 am -Worship – Remembrance Day Service**

**Mon., Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm - Men’s Club Meeting**

**Wed., Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> - 1:00 pm - Quilters**

**7:00 pm - U.C.W. Meeting (see over)**

**Sun., Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> - 11:00 am - Worship Service – Anniversary Service**

**Tue., Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> - 1:30 pm - Session Meeting**

**7:00 pm - Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Fri., Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6:00 pm - Progressive Dinner (see over)**

UCW will meet on **Nov. 9th at 7 p.m.** in the home of Sandra Cook, 50 Whittaker Road in Rusagonis. For more info, contact Dorothy at 457-9795

**N.M.U.C. 129<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service**

**Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – 11 am**

**Join us on Sunday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> as we celebrate our 129<sup>th</sup> anniversary at New Maryland United! Following the service, we will have a sit down potluck luncheon. You can bring what you like ... hot or cold dishes Or desserts. We will provide the tea/coffee/juice. We look forward to a time of fellowship and food.**

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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!

**GREEN TIP:** Reminder to continue collecting pop can tabs as a fundraiser for Muscular Dystrophy. Get your family & friends collecting also. There is a collection container at the front (Highway) entrance of the Church, or give them directly to Allen Parlee.

**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. **However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.**

***SAVE THE DATE!*** Plans are underway for our annual **“Progressive Dinner”** for **Friday evening, December 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

### **COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

**WILMOT UNITED CHURCH - Ten Thousand Villages** is coming once more to Wilmot United Church! The Fredericton Mennonites are hosting the 16th sale of beautiful, fairly-traded gifts, this year benefiting artisans from more than 30 Developing countries. Ten Thousand Villages is a project of Mennonite Central Committee, the outreach arm of the Mennonite and Brethren in Christ churches in North America.

**The Festival Sale will be held Friday, November 18th, from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm and Saturday, November 19th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at Wilmot United Church, 473 King St., Fredericton. Admission is free.**

The gifts you buy at the Ten Thousand Villages Sales will give the blessings of steady work, fair wages, and a better life for struggling families around the world. For more information call Jill Bateman at 459-5685. Your purchase makes a difference!