NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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October 9th, 2016 11 am THANKSGIVING 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 in this season of giving thanks!

Thought for Meditation:

Know the rules like a pro, so you can break them like an artist.

Pablo Picasso

THE GATHERING

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

*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

*INTROIT: Spirit of Life (#381 VU)

Spirit of Life, come unto me.

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

Move in the land, giving life the shape of justice.

Roots hold me close; wings set me free;

Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The joy of the Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let us worship the Lord together!

*HYMN # 30 MV It's a Song of Praise to The Maker

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER:

As our songs rise up to you, Holy One, so too does our thanksgiving. So meet us in this place. Fill us with your joy, with your grace, and with your extravagant hope. This we pray in the name, and in the way of Jesus, 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#182 MV Grateful (Refrain)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison):

When the weight of the world falls upon us, O God, help us to know your presence. When we would turn inward, open our hearts to another. When habit keeps us from new things, inspire us. Confront us. Challenge us. Forgive us. And lead us into the wide and wondrous life you offer.

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

Sung Response (#95 MV) x2

How deep the peace, the confidence, of those whose wrongs are forgiven. How deep the peace, the confidence, Of those whose hearts are healed.

The Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: Hear the Good News, friends: This is the abundance of God: God accepts us. God forgives us. And, loving us beyond all measure, frees us to new and glorious life!

People: All thanks be to God! Amen!

THE WORD OF GOD

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 17:11-19

ANTHEM: Declare Your Maker's Praise! Arr: L.Larson

SERMON: On Not Doing What You're Told: Rules, Joy, and Jesus!

*HYMN#242 VU Let All Things Now Living

THE RESPONSE

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

A THANKSGIVING LITANY

Thank you Holy One:

For the good world; for things great and small, beautiful and awesome; for seen and unseen splendors:

For human life: our dust and holy breath; for talking and moving and thinking together; for common hopes and hardship shared:

For work to do and strength to work; for the comradeship of labor;

For family; for living together and eating together; for family bonds and family joy:

For children; for their energy and curiosity; for their brave play and their startling frankness;

For the young; and their high hopes; for their irreverence toward worn-out values; for their search for freedom;

For growing up and growing old; for wisdom deepened by experience; and for time made precious by its passing:

We give thanks to the Lord.

God's love is everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN # 227 VU for the Fruit of All Creation

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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

E-Mail: nmuc@nb.aibn.com

Website: www.newmarylandunited.ca

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: Pam Campbell and Sandra Cook Tellers This Week: Lloyd Penney and Bob Watson

Trustees On Duty (Oct): David Ward and Ann Urquhart

LOOKING AHEAD:

Tues., Oct. 11th - 7:00 pm - Official Board

Wed., Oct. 12th - 1:00 pm - Quilters

7:00 pm - U.C.W. (see below)

Sun., Oct. 16th - 11:00 am - Worship Service

4 & 5:30 pm - Salmon Supper

Thur., Oct. 27th - 12:00 noon - UCW Bridge Luncheon (see over)

U.C.W. will meet on **Wed., Oct. 12th at 7 p.m.** in the home of Ginny Kershaw, 77 Gravenstein Str., New Maryland. New members are very welcome. Call Dorothy at **457-9795** for more info.

MEN'S CLUB – SALMON SUPPER - The Men's Club is looking forward to the continued support of the entire congregation for the annual Salmon Supper on Oct. 16th. We will be looking for workers for both sittings. Those who would like to make apple crisp, call Dave Ward at 455-8208. And if you make your own pickles, would you consider putting aside a couple of jars for our supper? There is a 'pickle box' at the main door if you'd like to drop off your pickles anytime. We will be wrapping the salmon on Saturday morning, Oct. 15th at 10:00 am, if anyone would like to help out with that task. Also, any financial help would be appreciated which we can purchase potatoes, carrots, peas and other supplies. Tickets are \$17 and are now available for pick up from Men's Club Members.

"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 Thursday, October 27th, our U.C.W. will host their Fall Bridge Luncheon at 12:00 noon at the New Maryland Rec Centre. Cost is \$40 for a table of 4. Contact Loraine Ward at 455-8208 to reserve your table.

GREEN TIP: We thank you, God for the beautiful earth that you have given us to use as our home. Help us to care for it and honour it, so that it will continue to provide the necessities of healthy living for all your children.

FOOD BANK - For the month of **October**, we will focus on **pasta or pasta sauces**. However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

GIBSON MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH (183 Gibson St.) will be hosting a **Turkey Dinner, Wednesday, Oct. 19, 4 – 6 p.m.** \$13/adult and \$3/child. Please call 457-1951 to reserve your tickets.

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