

# NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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9<sup>th</sup> After Pentecost

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. Grace and peace to you all.

**THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION:** *Church membership doesn't simply have privileges; it is a privilege, a gift!*

## THE GATHERING

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

**\*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**\*INTROIT: "Come In, Come In and Sit Down" #395VU (Refrain only)**

Come in, come in and sit down,  
You are a part of the family.  
We are lost and we are found,  
and we are a part of the family

**CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsive*):**

We come to worship because for us to live is Christ.

**We live for Christ,**

we live by Christ,

**we live with Christ,**

we live through Christ,

**we live in Christ.**

God of grace, let Christ be praised

**in all we say and do,**

in all we think and speak,  
in this hour of worship and in every moment of our lives.     **Amen.**

**\*HYMN #595 VU   We Are Pilgrims**

### **OPENING PRAYER (All)**

Gracious and holy God,  
we gather our many voices together as one to pray to you.  
But our prayer goes far beyond the words  
printed on a page or ringing through the air.  
Our prayer moves within our shared heart,  
and we offer it with our entire being.  
We long for you to help us to love, for you to help us to live,  
for you to inspire us and challenge us,  
for you to dwell in us and work through us. **Amen**

**HYMN: #154 MV   Deep In Our Hearts**

## **T H E   W O R D   O F   G O D**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS: Psalm 17: 1-7, 15   VU p. 739**  
**Matthew 14: 13-21**

**SERMON   “*To Walk Worthy of the Call*”**

**\*HYMN #639 VU   One More Step Along the World I Go**

## **T H E   R E S P O N S E**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERING & OFFERTORY   What Can I Do? MV #191**

**What can I do? What can I bring?**

**What can I say? What can I sing?**

**I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.**

**I'll bring my love. I'll do my share. (repeat once)**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**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**

**\*HYMN #602 VU   Blest Be the Tie that Binds**

## **BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL BLESSING: May the God of Hope Go with Us VU #424**

**May the God of hope go with us every day,  
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
bringing light and hope to every land and race.  
Praying, let us work for peace,  
singing, share our joy with all,  
working for a world that's new,  
faithful when we hear Christ's call.   (verse one and refrain)**

**SPECIAL BEACON EDITION: A special anniversary 'Beacon' is being planned to help celebrate not only Canada's 150th birthday but also New Maryland United Church's 130th. The committee is looking for photos, items of interest or newspaper clippings from years past, regarding church activities or what life was like for some of our early families who attended the New Maryland Kirk. How about submitting a story you remembered your grandparents telling you? Sue Morrison, Sharon Noel and Lydia LaPointe will be pleased to accept any submissions. All items will be returned to the owners. Thank you in advance for your help with this special project!**

