

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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**October 1, 2017 11:00 am
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday**

Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this holy morning! We hope you feel at home in our midst. Grace and peace to you all.

THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

It is easy to be empathetic with a child who is afraid of the dark, not so with an adult who fears the light.

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 – VU#625 I Feel the Winds of God**

**I feel the winds of God today
today my sail I lift,
though heavy oft with drenching spray
and torn with many a rift;
if hope but light the water's crest,
and Christ my bark will use,
I'll seek the seas at his behest,
and brave another cruise.**

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

Leader: Come and listen, all who love God.

People: And he will guide me on my journey.

Leader: God is mighty and powerful.

People: God will provide us with all that we need.

Leader: Come and bow down before Him.

People: It is what we are called to do.

***HYMN #87 MV “Water Flowing from the Mountains”**

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD’S PRAYER

We gather as your people each week O God, part of the great United Church of Canada, celebrating 91 years of social activism and thoughtful prayers, in the year Canada celebrates its 150th. Help us to remember that the indigenous peoples of these lands have been here for 10,000 years and as we worship today, we meet on the traditional lands of the Wolostogiyik, “the people of the beautiful river”. And so together with the Saints who have gone before us, we pray as Jesus taught his disciples 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

SOME TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

***HYMN #142 MV “On a Song Must Rise”**

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

SCRIPTURES: Exodus 17: 1-17

***Responsive Reading: Psalm 78 (1-7 &12-16) VU, p.792**

The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 21: 23-32

ANTHEM

REFLECTION “Look at All our Trials and Tribulations....”

***HYMN #245 VU “Praise the Lord”**

T H E R E S P O N S E

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY VU 381 “Spirit of Life”

Spirit of life, come unto me,

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

Moving in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.

Roots hold me close; wings set me free;

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Bill Elderkin

***HYMN #145 MV “Draw the Circle Wide”**

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BLESSING Go, Make a Diff’rence, MV 209**

Go make a diff’rence.

We can make a diff’rence.

Go make a diff’rence in the world.

Go make a diff’rence. We can make a diff’rence.

Go make a diff’rence in the world.

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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. Jane Johnson at 440-9981.

Greeters This Week: Kaye Lister

Trustees On Duty (Oct): Ann Urquhart and Doug Price

LOOKING AHEAD:

Tue., Oct. 3rd - 7:00 pm - Men's Club Meeting

Sun., Oct. 8th - 11:00 am - Worship Service – Thanksgiving Sunday

Sun., Oct. 15th – 4:00 & 5:30 pm – Salmon Supper

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY – OCTOBER 8TH, 2017

Do you have **some extra vegetables from your garden, or could you pick up an extra turnip or a few extra apples** when you are doing your grocery shopping?

How about a **fall mum, or an extra jar of your latest batch of pickles or jam?** The **Worship Committee** needs your help to decorate the sanctuary for Thanksgiving Sunday and donations of **vegetables, fruit, preserves and decorative fall items** would be very much appreciated. **Your items can be dropped off any week day morning between 10 and 12 noon, or on Saturday morning, Oct. 7 by 10 am.** Your many small donations will create a spectacular display for our Thanksgiving Sunday service! All food items will be donated to the Food Bank following the service.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! SUNDAY- OCT. 15 - SALMON SUPPER

The Men's Club is looking forward to the continued support of the entire congregation for the annual **Salmon Supper** on **October 15th**. We will be looking for ticket sellers plus 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. Also, any financial help would be appreciated with which we can purchase potatoes, carrots, peas and other supplies.

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!

GREEN TIP - Berries and grapes do best in the fridge in shallow containers which allows the air to circulate around them. Don't wash them until you are ready to eat them, as they mould when damp.

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