

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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5th 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: *Nothing compares to a group of believers who love one another, pray for each other and serve God together to reach their neighbours and the world!*

THE GATHERING

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

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

***INTROIT: Come Touch Our Hearts (#12 MV)**

**Come touch our hearts that we may know compassion,
from failing embers build a blazing fire;
love strong enough to overturn injustice,
to seek a world more gracious,
come touch and bless our hearts.**

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsive*):

The work of the creator is visible
Let us respond with praise.

The example of Jesus is apparent.
Let us respond with obedience.

The wind of the Spirit is blowing.

Let us respond with joy.

The word of God is calling.

Let us worship in spirit and in truth. Amen

***HYMN #395 VU Come In, Come In and Sit Down**

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**

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Romans 7:15-25

ANTHEM

SERMON *“The Joy Being Last”*

***HYMN #154 MV Deep in Our Hearts**

THE RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY 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 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:

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 #226 VU For the Beauty of the Earth

BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BLESSING: Go, Make a Difference (209 MV)

Go make a difference.
We can make a difference.
Go make a difference in the world.
Go make a difference.
We can make a difference.
Go make a difference in the world.