

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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May 14, 2017 11 am
Christian Family 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. Grace and peace to you all.

THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

Mom looked into me and saw something worth believing in, long before I believed in myself! Keion Jackson

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: Christ is Alive (#158 VU)**

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.

The cross stands empty to the sky.

Let streets and homes with praises ring.

Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

***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 #459 VU Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face

OPENING PRAYER: (All)

**Let us come into the house of God to meet the Spirit of God;
not to give religion an hour, but to live in the eternal;
not to maintain a decorous habit but to bow in the holy place before the
holy One; not to judge the words of a preacher, but to draw life from the
Word and Truth everlasting; to be still and know that He is God. - Amen**

HYMN #8 MV And On This Path

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

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

SCRIPTURE: John 14: 1-14

I Corinthians 13: 4-7

SERMON: *A Mother's Love*

ANTHEM: *The Potter's Hand* arr. L. Larson

HYMN #117 MV By the Well, a Thirsty Woman

T H E R E S P O N S E

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 #138 MV My Love Colours Outside the Lines**

BENEDICTION

***CHORAL BLESSING: Go, Make a Diff'rence (209 MV)**

**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.**

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. Jane Johnson at 440-9981.

Tellers This Week: Lloyd Penney and Bob Watson

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

LOOKING AHEAD:

Sun., May 14th - 11:00 am - Worship Service – Christian Family Sunday

**Mon., May 15th - 8:00 am – Outreach goes to Christ Church Cathedral
2:00 pm - Session Meeting**

Wed., May 17th - 10:00 am - Worship Meeting

Thur., May 25th - 6:30 pm - NMUC Yard Clean-up

Tue., May 30th - 7:00 pm - Official Board Meeting

GREEN TIP: Sandpaper to encourage seeds to sprout faster. Gently dull surface of hard coated seeds (peas, cilantro, lupines) with very fine grit sandpaper, this allows water to be absorbed more quickly and enables the sprouting.

NOTE: If you would like to send a card to Rev. Kelly during her time away, her mailing address is Rev. Kelly Burke, 100 Berkley Drive, New Maryland, NB E3C 1C3

UNITED CHURCH VISIONAIRIES: We are still looking for a congregation member to attend an occasional meeting of Fredericton area United Churches to discuss common goals. Next meeting will be May 17th. Please contact Tina Glenn 459-5652.

GREENER VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE - For the month of **May**, we will focus on **pasta or pasta sauces**. Please note that condiments always come in handy as well. However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.

MEN'S CLUB YARD SALE held on May 6th was a great success. The sale realized \$2061.45 in sales. The monies will be given to the Accessibility Fund. The Men's Group would like to thank all who have donated items to the sale, worked at the sale or purchased items at the event. The sale would not have been a success without your participation.

CHURCH PROPERTY CLEANUP - Please be advised that the Men's Group are organizing a Church Property Clean up on **Thursday, May 25th** at **6:30 pm**. All are welcome to help out. Please bring your own rake!

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

On the **3rd Monday** of each month, members of our church volunteer at Christ Church Cathedral to offer sandwiches and fellowship to assist in their weekly outreach efforts.

On the **4th Saturday of each month** NMUC sends volunteers to the **Fredericton Community Kitchen**. From 9 am to approx. 1 pm, we prepare and serve lunch for the clients. This month our date to volunteer is **May 27**.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

GIBSON MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH (183 Gibson St.) will be hosting a "**Stuffed Pork Loin Dinner**" on **May 24th**, **4 – 6 pm**. Please call 457-1951 to reserve your tickets. Adult \$ 13; Child \$3.

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CLOTHING DRIVE

Spring cleaning time is upon us! Spring has sprung, the fresh air surrounds us, new life grows up around us and brings about a renewed energy within us. We invite you to clean out your closets and join us in supporting the Association for Community Living. We will be accepting donations of gently used, clean clothing and footwear for the entire month of May.

Donations may be dropped off at the church during the week or on Sundays. We can arrange pick-ups for those that are not able to drop off items themselves.

The New Brunswick Association for Community Living (NBACL) is a provincial non-profit organization that works on behalf of children and adults with an intellectual disability and their families. They work to ensure that people with an intellectual disability, with the support of their families, have the option to choose the supports they need to live meaningful lives and participate in their communities as valued and contributing members. Donating clothing is one way the Association fund raises.