NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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November 25th, 2018 11 am Anniversary Sunday (1887-2018) – Celebrating 131 years!

Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this sacred morning! We hope you feel at home in our midst. Let us pause to remember that in this region we live and work and worship on lands that are, by law, the unceded territories of the Wabanaki peoples—predominantly the lands of the Mi'kmaq, Wolastoqiyik and Passamaquoddy. May we live with respect on this land, and live in peace and friendship with its people. Grace and peace to you all!

Thought for Meditation

We shape our buildings; thereafter, they shape us.

Winston Churchill

THE GATHERING

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

*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

*Introit: Holy, Holy, #315 VU v.1

Holy, holy! Lord God almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee; Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: For 131 years people have been gathering here in this place to worship God.

People: For 131 years people have been gathering here to sing and pray, to bless and be blessed.

Leader: For 131 years men and women have preached, and baptized, and celebrated the Lord's Supper here.

People: For 131 years, men, and women and children have gathered to

share in the work and the fellowship; to share in the joys and the sorrows,

Leader: to remember what was, to be faithful witnesses now,

People: And to look forward to what God has in store for us all!

Leader: And now, as it has been for 131 years, our worship continues in the

name of Jesus, who was, and is, and evermore shall be!

*HYMN #1 MV Let Us Build A House

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER:

God of all history, God of our hearts, we gather this day in gratitude and trust. Help us to glean wisdom from the past; to trust you in the days to come; and to serve you in the holy "now". May we celebrate every day that you give us with joyful praise, and abundant hope. This we ask in the spirit of Jesus, who taught his friends to pray together, 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 #92 MV Like A Rock TIME WITH THE CHILDREN: CHILDREN'S HYMN#92 MV Like A Rock

THE RESPONSE

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY:

As We Journey Together (Kingsbury/Bowman ©2015 Tidal Bore Music. All rights reserved. Lyrics reprinted by permission.)

As we journey together on the path of faith,
May our hearts be attentive to Christ's plan,
And may we be responsive to our broken world,
Off'ring freely the talents that we can.
May all we bring, be blessed and shared
With those who need a helping hand.
May all we bring, be blessed and shared
creating justice through the land.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: 1Kings 6: 1-13

SERMON: If These Walls Could Talk

ANTHEM: The Potter's Hand D. Zschech/L.Larson, arr.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Invitation

*HYMN #480 VU Let Us Break Bread Together

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (sung refrains: #203-205 MV, Kingsfold)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift our hearts in prayer.

Let us give thanks to God.

We offer joyful thanks to God.

We give you thanks, God of all time and place. Through the words of your prophets and the faith of your followers you prepare the way of our redemption and bring hope to birth. And though we often grow weary of waiting, your signs call us to keep watch for that day when all things shall be made new.

In assurance of this hope, we join with the saints of all time and place to give you praise, singing:

Oh, holy, holy God, O God of time and space.
All earth and sea and sky above bear witness to your grace.
Hosanna in the highest heaven, creation sings your praise,
And blessed is the One who comes and bears your name always!

It was on the same night in which he was betrayed, Jesus sat at table with his friends... (the Institution narrative continues)

We do remember, and in our remembering, we proclaim the mystery of our faith, singing:

Sing Christ has died and Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

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Holy God, pour out your Spirit upon us, that we may know Christ in the breaking of bread, and that in word and deed, we may be channels of your love, peace, and justice in the world. Through Christ, all glory and honour are yours, with the Holy Spirit, in the holy church, now and forever.

Amen, amen, O Holy One! Hosanna and Amen! Amen, amen, O Holy One! Hosanna and Amen!

-----We Share the Feast-----

Prayer After Communion (Unison)

We give thanks that bread broken brings wholeness; that wine poured out replenishes; that time spent with the Risen Christ and one another is both gift and grace. Amen.

*HYMN #705 VU For All The Saints

*BENEDICTION

* CHORAL BLESSING: My Peace K. Routledge

My peace I give unto you.

It's a peace that the world cannot give.

It's a peace that the world cannot understand.

Peace to know, peace to live, my peace I give unto you.

The bulletin today is dedicated in loving memory of Dawn and Bob Watson by the Choir.

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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. Kelly Burke at 470-9634.

Greeter This Week: Tina Glenn and Declan Selwah

Trustees On Duty (Nov): Doug Price and David Ward

Tellers Today: Merlin Tracy and Lloyd Penney

Sunday School Teachers Today: Deborah and Amber Knorr

LOOKING AHEAD:

Tue., Nov. 27th - 7:00 pm - Official Board Meeting (rescheduled)

Wed., Nov. 28th - 10:00 am - Worship Comm. Decorating for Advent

Fri., Nov. 30th - 6:00 pm - Progressive Dinner (see below)

Sun., Dec. 2nd - 11:00 am - Worship Service - Advent I

Sun., Dec. 9th - 11:00 am - Worship Service - Advent II - White

Gift Sunday

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N.M.U.C. 131st ANNIVERSARY SERVICE - Join us downstairs today following the service for a sit down potluck luncheon. We look forward to a time of fellowship & food as we celebrate our 131 anniversary!

"PROGRESSIVE DINNER"

Next Friday, November 30th is our annual Progressive Dinner. Plan to join in the fun as we move from home-to- home and enjoy delicious dishes! We will begin with appetizers at the home of Lydia & Pat LaPointe (198 Manresa Dr., F'ton Northside); main course at John & Ginny Kershaw's (77 Gravenstein St., New Maryland); and finish up at the home of Revs. Kelly & Jane (100 Berkley Dr., New Maryland) for dessert. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the main foyer.

It's that time of year Our MITTEN TREE will be in place next week and ready to receive any knitted items you would like to contribute. By Christmas, these items will be distributed wherever the need exists.

OUTREACH:

The sign up schedules are out for both the Community Kitchen Volunteers and Christ Church Sandwiches, they are found on the Outreach Committee bulletin board in the foyer by Lorna's Office.

The Community Kitchen is in great need of more volunteers to fill up the schedule for Saturday mornings. NMUC has traditionally sent 4 people on the 4th Saturday of the month. Over the last year we have seen a great decline in volunteers for this service. It is a very rewarding experience and not overly strenuous. If you have never been to the Community Kitchen and are interested in more information please approach someone on the Outreach Committee or someone who is already on the sign up sheet.

Food Bank donations are always welcome in the designated bin in the main entrance of the church, and are especially needed at this time of year. Please also note that you can make a monetary donation to the Food Bank through your offering envelope, simply by marking the amount on the envelope that you wish to direct to the Food Bank, or you can designate a portion of your monthly PAR specifically to the Food Bank simply by sending an email to Lloyd Penney.

As always the Outreach Committee is very appreciative of all the support we receive from the congregation either through donations or helpful volunteering. Merry Christmas!

<u>DAILY BREADS</u> - New copies of "Our Daily Bread" (Dec/Jan/Feb) are now available at both doors of the Church. These copies are provided free of charge, however, a container for those wishing to make a donation to Radio Price Class is available.

GREENER VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE – For the month of **November**, we will focus on **canned vegetables**. However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS:

THE NEW MARYLAND LIONS CLUB canvasses the village in early December with a "Food & Toy Drive". The Christmas hampers help

families in need in the New Maryland and surrounding areas. In the past, our Church has collected **canned peas** to contribute to this project. The peas would need to be in by next **Sunday**, **December 2**nd.

ADVENT CAROL FESTIVAL - The Annual Advent Carol Festival held each year at St. Paul's United Church (corner George and York) will take place on Wednesday, December 5 at 7:30 pm Local church and community choirs will present a program of familiar, as well as new, Christmas music. A freewill offering will be received on behalf of the CBC Feed a Family campaign to support the 12 food banks in this area.

MEMORIAL TREE LIGHTING – McAdam's and Oromocto Funeral Home are once again hosting an evening of comfort and remembrance in each of their chapels, to reflect on the season and those who have shared past. In Oromocto, it will be on Wednesday, Dec. 5th at 7 pm and in Fredericton, it will be on Thursday, Dec. 6th at 7 pm. You may wish to participate by placing your loved one's name on our Honour Roll and/or bring a non-perishable food item for the local foodbanks. All those who are remembering a loved one at this holiday season are invited to attend.

NASHWAAKSIS UNITED CHURCH - There will be a Christmas Tea, "Angels Among Us", on Friday, Dec. 7th 1 - 3 pm at Nashwaaksis United Church. Admission by donation. Everyone welcome!