

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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October 7th, 2018 11 am
THANKSGIVING SUNDAY & WORLD WIDE COMMUNION

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

To make bread, to dig in the earth, to feed an animal or cook for a stranger—these activities require no extensive commentary, no lucid theology. All they require is someone willing to bend, reach, chop, stir. Most of these tasks are so full of pleasure that there is no need to complicate things by calling them holy. And yet these are the same activities that change lives. In a world where faith is often construed as a way of thinking, bodily practices remind the willing that faith is a way of life.

Barbara Brown Taylor

THE GATHERING

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

*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

*Introit: This Is The Day, #122MV

This is the day that God has made, we will rejoice and be glad!
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Singing hallelu, singing hallelu, singing hallelu,
we will rejoice and be glad!
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we will rejoice and be glad!

**Voici le jour que Dieu a fait, nous le vivrons dans la joie!
Voici le jour que Dieu a fait, nous le vivrons dans la joie!
Chantant Allelu! Chantant Allelu! Chantant Allelu!
Nous le vivrons dans la joie.
Chantant Allelu! Chantant Allelu! Chantant Allelu!
Nous le vivrons dans la joie.**

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***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The joy of Christ be with you!
People: And also with you!
Leader: Let us worship together!

***HYMN#599 VU Living Christ Bring Us Love**

OPENING PRAYER:

**As our songs rise up to you, Holy One, so too does our thanksgiving.
So meet us in this place. Fill us with your joy, your grace, and your
extravagant hope. And hear us as we pray, in the Way of Jesus,
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 #30 MV It's a Song of Praise v.2

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN:

CHILDREN'S HYMN# 30 MV It's A Song of Praise v.4

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY: (#218 VU, We Praise You, O God, v. 1)

**We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,
in grateful devotion, our tribute we bring.**

**We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you,
we bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.**

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

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 7:34; 9:12-13; 19:5-7

SERMON: *Meal Memories: Of Mixing Bowls, Tables and Hillsides*

ANTHEM: *The Way We Love* J. M. Martin

FEASTING TOGETHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE

THE INVITATION

HYMN #460 VU All Who Hunger

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

**We give you thanks, Creator, for the wonder of this world: the shine of moon
and stars; the turning of tides and seasons; seedtime and harvest.**

**Out of chaos, order; out of void, life;
out of dust and holy breath, humanity! How can we keep from singing:**

Oh, holy, 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!

You spoke us into life, but also into service: that we might love and care for all of your creation. And when we have stumbled in our calling, you gave us the one called Jesus, whose stories remind us still to pay attention to the land and its inhabitants, to the holy ordinary:

**to the lilies of the fields, and the birds of the air;
to mustard seeds and hungry people;
to the baking of bread and the gathering of fish.**

In all of the stories we are reminded of the power of gathering together at table. To share a meal with one another. This is where community is built;

This is where love unfolds; where manifestos of justice and care are birthed. Where we are strengthened and sent forth for all that lies ahead.

Indeed, it was on the same night in which he was betrayed, Jesus sat at table with his friends. A celebration meal. And there he took bread, and he blessed it and broke it, and he passed it to them, saying: Take, eat, this is my body, given for you. This do in remembrance of me.

And after supper he took the cup of good wine, saying: this is the new covenant poured out for you in my blood. As often as you drink this, this do in remembrance of me.

We do remember, and we give thanks for such love; a love poured out for all. And in our remembering, we proclaim the mystery of our faith, singing:

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

Holy God, pour out your Spirit upon us, that we may know you in the breaking of bread, and that in word and deed, we may be channels of your love, peace, and justice in the world.

***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 gift and grace. Amen!

***HYMN #232 VU Joyful, Joyful**

***BENEDICTION**

*** CHORAL BLESSING: Sing Amen/ Asithi Amen (Xhosa and English)**

Amen, we praise your name, O God.

Amen, we praise your name, O God.

Amen, amen, amen, amen,

Amen, we praise your name, O God!

Amen, si- ya-ku-du-mi-sa.

Amen, si-ya-ku-du-mi-sa.

Amen, Baba, amen, Baba

Amen, si-ya-ku-du-mi-sa.

Amen, we praise your name, O God.

Amen, we praise your name, O God.

Amen, amen, amen, amen,

Amen, we praise your name, O God!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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.

Trustees On Duty (Oct): Lloyd Penney and Ann Urquhart

Tellers Today: Loraine and David Ward

Sunday School Teachers Today: Krista Tupling & Amy Nelson

LOOKING AHEAD:

Wed., Oct. 10th - 7:00 pm - U.C.W. (see below)

Sun., Oct. 14th - 4:00 & 5:30 pm - Salmon Supper @ Rec Centre

Mon., Oct. 15th - 8:00 am - NMUC Outreach goes to Christ Church Cathedral

U.C.W. will meet on **Wed., Oct. 10th at 7 pm** in the home of Ginny Kershaw (77 Gravenstein St.) in New Maryland. For more info call Dorothy at 457-9795.

The latest edition of our church newsletter “*The Beacon*” has been sent out electronically this week. Hard copies will be available next week for pick up.

SALMON SUPPER BBQ is scheduled for **Sunday, October 14th**

Tickets are still available at price of \$17 each. For tickets, please see Dave, Keith or Lorna. This event is a major undertaking and a key fund raiser for the church. The assistance of the congregation with the supper is essential in making it a success. If you are able to assist at the supper, ie. serving, dishwashing, cleanup, etc, please see Dave Ward. Also, any financial help would be appreciated with which we can purchase potatoes, carrots, peas and other supplies.

For those who have tickets to sell, please return all sold and unsold tickets to the church **no later** than **Friday, October 12th** at noon. If unable to do so, please contact Keith or Lorna by that date at 455-1948 as tickets need to be sorted on Saturday for people working at the door.

The salmon preparation will take place at the Church on Saturday morning at 10am. If you can help, please feel welcome to attend.

<p>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.</p>
