

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH

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WELCOME BACK SUNDAY: CORN BOIL & BARBECUE BACKPACK BLESSINGS FOR OUR NEW BEGINNINGS

Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this holy 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.

Thought for Meditation:

*Eating a meal together can be a place of joy, celebration and friendship:
We can show love for each other and celebrate life!*

Jean Vanier

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: Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New (#115 MV)**

**Behold, (behold), Behold, (behold), I make all things new,
beginning with you and starting from today.**

**Behold, (behold), Behold, (behold), I make all things new,
my promise is true, for I am Christ the way.**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: May the Joy of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us worship together!

***HYMN # 410 VU This Day God Gives Me**

OPENING PRAYER, FOLLOWED BY THE LORD'S PRAYER:

God of Samson and Noah and Miriam, God made known to us in Jesus: we gather together, opening ourselves to you, and the wonder of your welcome. Here we are free to rest and remember; question and hope; wrestle with stories and revel in promise. And so we begin, by joining our voices in the way that Jesus taught, 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: *He's Got The Whole World* (adapted)

He's got Noah and the ark, in his hands,
He's got Noah and the ark, in his hands,
He's got Noah and the ark, in his hands,
He's got the whole world in his hands!

BLESSING OUR NEW BEGINNINGS:

Gracious and loving God, we ask you to bless these children and their backpacks.

Make these packs strong for their job of helping our children to learn.

May their straps never break, and their padding never give out,

May their zippers never jam....

May they never be forgotten in strange places;

May the burdens in them be light; and may the bodies that bear them be strong, and growing, and whole,

And may they be blessed, O God, ever blessed, by your love. This we pray in the name of the great Teacher at whose knee we are all students,

AMEN!

CHILDREN'S HYMN:

He's got everybody here, in his hands,
He's got everybody here, in his hands,
He's got everybody here, in his hands,
He's got the whole world in his hands!

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

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 36, p. 762 VU

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 6-7; selected verses

ANTHEM: *Jesus In The Morning* (Trad. African American Spiritual)

SERMON: *Rainbows and Lions and One Really Long Time In A Boat: Noah Revisited*

***HYMN# 675 VU Will Your Anchor Hold**

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY: Your Work, O God (#537 VU)

Your work, O God, needs many hands,
to help you everywhere,
and some there are who cannot serve
unless our gifts we share.

Because we love you and your work,
Our offering now we make:
Be pleased to use it as your own,
We ask for Jesus' sake.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN #193 MV God Bless To Us Our Bread**

***BENEDICTION**

*** CHORAL BLESSING: Siyahamba (#646 VU, a hymn in Zulu)**

See yah hahm----bay googa nee-en gwen Ghos,

See yah hahm bay googa nee-en gwen Ghos---

(repeat this section)

See yah hahm-bah----oo-oo

See yah hahm bay googa nee-en gwen Ghos----

(repeat this section)

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. Dr. Kelly Burke at 470-9634.

Greeter This Week: Pat and Lydia LaPointe

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

Tellers On Duty: Lloyd Penney and Meg Simms

Sunday School Teachers: Deborah, Amber and Emma Knorr

LOOKING AHEAD:

Wed., Sep 25th - 7:00 pm - Trustee Meeting

Thur., Sep. 26th - 12:00 noon - UCW Bridge Luncheon at NM Centre

Tue., Oct. 1st - 7:00 pm - NMUC Official Board Meeting

Sun., Oct. 6th - 11:00 am - World Communion Sunday

WELCOME BACK SUNDAY! Please join us following the service today as we kick off the fall season with corn on the cob and barbequed hamburgers and hot dogs. Fun for all!

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY – OCTOBER 13TH

The **Worship Committee** will be decorating the sanctuary on Saturday morning, Oct. 12 in preparation for the Thanksgiving service. ***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? 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 am and 12 noon or on Saturday morning, Oct. 12th by 10 am. Your many small donations will create a spectacular display for our Thanksgiving Sunday service.

UCW of New Maryland United Church will hold a **Bridge Luncheon** on **Thursday, September 26th** from **12 noon to 3 pm** at the New Maryland Rec. Centre. To book a table of 4 for \$48 call Loraine Ward at 455-8208.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! Salmon Supper – Sun., Oct. 20th The Men's Club is looking forward to the continued support of the entire congregation for the annual Salmon Supper on **Sunday, October 20th**. We will be looking for ticket sellers plus workers for both sittings. Those who would like to make apple crisp, call David Ward @ 455-8208. And if you make your own pickles, would you consider putting aside a couple of jars for our supper? There will be 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.

GREENER VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE For the month of **September**, we will focus on school snacks (puddings, fruit cups, granola bars, juice boxes). However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated. We are always looking for plastic grocery bags as well as we use them for packing.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS:

HILLCREST UNITED CHURCH (Stanley, NB) will be hosting “**Ellen’s Country Kitchen**” luncheons for week of **Sept. 30- Oct. 5th**.

Time: **11 am – 1 pm** Price: \$14 See our bulletin boards for a poster with menus for the week.

WILMOT UNITED CHURCH - Climate, weather, jobs, health, our right to buy things... Is it possible to live out our spiritual beliefs at the crossroads of science, social needs, economics and nature? An ECObook Club is organizing this fall at Wilmot United. On the international bestseller list for 3 years, ***The Hidden Life of Trees*** is a fascinating, easy to read, but not uncontroversial book from professional forester Peter Wohlleben, who has come to understand trees not as products to be ‘harvested’ but as complex living social beings, not so unlike ourselves deserving of respect & dignity. Proposed times are mid-week, after lunch or after work, depending on interest. All are welcome. For further info, please contact Kathryn Downton at 506-455-2444, or attreesmatterfredericton@gmail.com. Let’s discuss!

NASHWAAKSIS UNITED CHURCH (46 Main St.) Roast Pork Dinner, Saturday, October 5, 5:30 pm. Enjoy roast pork with homemade apple sauce, potatoes, carrots, turnips, rolls and assorted pies. Pre-ordered take-outs to be picked up at 5:00 pm. Cost is \$14. **Call Rindy or Tom Austin at 450-7151 for reservations.**