

02NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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February 23rd, 2020 11 am
Seventh After Epiphany

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. If you are visiting or new to the congregation please introduce yourself to Rev. Dr. Burke. Grace and peace to you all!

Thought for Meditation:

Keep some room in your heart for the unimaginable.

Mary Oliver

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: A Light Is Gleaming (#82 VU, refrain, v.4, refrain)**

A light is gleaming, spreading its arms throughout the night,
living in the light.

Come share its gladness, God's radiant love is burning bright,
living in the light.

So let us live in the brightness God has giv'n,
and let us rise to see the dawn.

We trust that God is here a-sparkle and a-bla-ze,
warming all our days!

A light is gleaming, spreading its arms throughout the night,
living in the light.

Come share its gladness, God's radiant love is burning bright,
living in the light.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The Light of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Come, let us worship together.

***HYMN # 376 VU Spirit of The Living God**

OPENING PRAYER FOLLOWED BY THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Leader: God, we come into this place,

People: where the ordinary is sanctified,

Leader: the human is celebrated,

People: and compassion is expected.

Leader: Come into this place, O God,

People: that together we may make it a holy place, with our very act of worship.

Leader: This we ask in the name of the Light of the World, 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 #585 Jesus Bids Us Shine, verse 1

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S HYMN #585 Jesus Bids Us Shine, verse 2

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

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 7:1-12

ANTHEM: *Christ Has No Body Now But Yours*

Gunn/Warner

SERMON: *The Golden Rule Revisited: An Upgrade to Platinum*

***HYMN # 356 VU Seek Ye First**

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OFFERING & OFFERTORY: As We Journey Together**

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**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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN #232 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You**

***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)**

**We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.**

(repeat this section)

**We are marching ----- 00-00
we are marching in the light of God.**

(repeat this section)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

E-Mail: nmuc@nb.aibn.com

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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 Today: Doug Watson

Trustees On Duty (Feb): Doug Price and Lloyd Penney

Tellers On Duty: Merlin Tracy and Tina Glenn

Sunday School: Sheila & Brooke-Lyn Power

Nursery: Shannon Wight

The bulletin today is dedicated in loving memory of Bertha Brown (Lydia's sister), Charlotte Brown (Lydia's mother) and Howard and Doris LaPointe (Pat's parents) from Lydia and Patrick LaPointe.

LOOKING AHEAD:

Mon., Feb. 24th - 1:30 pm - Session Meeting

7:00 pm - C. D. Meeting

Wed., Feb. 26th - Ash Wednesday (TBA) (see over)

Thur., Feb. 27th - 7:00 pm - Outreach Meeting

Tue., Mar. 10th - 7:00 pm – Official Board Meeting

ASH WEDNESDAY (Feb. 26) (Time TBA) – In the time honoured tradition we will mark the beginning of Lent on Wednesday, Feb. 26th. We will gather for a time of conversation and coffee and finish with the imposition of ashes.

Jigsaw Puzzle Library – Just a reminder that we have a lovely selection of jigsaw puzzles in the choir room. They are available to anyone who would like to borrow them. A great way to pass the time in the cold winter months. Donations of puzzles are always greatly appreciated.

GREENER VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE

For the month of **February**, we will focus on **canned pasta or stew**. However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.

OUTREACH: 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 main foyer by Lorna's office. The Outreach Committee is very appreciative of all the support we receive from the congregation either through donations or helpful volunteering.

NOTE FROM TREASURER: Your **2019 tax receipts** are now available for pick up from the Church office. See Lloyd Penney or Lorna.

New copies of “OUR DAILY BREAD” (Mar/Apr/May) are now available at both entrances of the Church. These copies are provided free of charge, however, a container for those wishing to make a donation to Radio Bible Class is available.

STORM NOTICE

In the event that Church service is cancelled due to inclement weather, you will be informed in the various manners, but **not before 8:30 am**.

1. E-mail notification: If you have e-mail, this is the most direct method.
2. Radio Stations: CBC, JOY-FM, CAPITAL
3. Website: <http://www.newmarylandunited.ca/> It will be on the Home Page.
4. The answering machine on the church telephone (459-3313).

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

GIBSON MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH will be hosting a **“Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper”** on **February 25th, 4–6:00 pm.** Menu: Baked Beans, sausages, ham, potato scallop, brown bread, pancakes and dessert. \$12 adult and children eat for free. Please call **457-1666** to reserve your tickets.

WILMOT UNITED CHURCH - Pancake Supper: Wilmot United Church (corner King & Carleton) is holding a Shrove Tuesday pancake supper on **February 25th from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.** Menu includes pancakes with maple syrup, baked beans, sausages, fresh fruit salad, homemade cookies, juice, tea and coffee. Freewill offering.

ST. JAMES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (1991 Hwy 640, Hanwell)
Saturday, February 29 – ‘A Leap Year Dinner’

4-Courses: Homemade tomato soup, winter salad, chicken cordon bleu with vegetables and rice, homemade cheesecake, beverages

Tickets: \$25 each (Please RSVP @t 450-4031)

Doors open at 5:30 pm Dinner served at 6 pm

NASHWAAKSIS UNITED CHURCH Enjoy a **‘JIGGS DINNER’** at **5:30 pm Saturday, March 14th**, at Nashwaaksis United Church (46 Main St.), featuring corned beef, cabbage, carrots, turnip, potatoes, pease pudding and dessert for \$14. Reservations only – phone Larry and Helen Forward, **457-1338 by March 11th.**