

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH

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November 19^h, 2023 11 am

The Reformation: Five Centuries Later....

Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this sacred morning. 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 friendship with its people. Grace and peace to you all.

THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

If I knew the world would perish tomorrow, I would still plant my apple tree today. **Martin Luther**

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: Come Touch Our Hearts, #12 MV v.1**

**Come touch our hearts that we may know compassion,
From failing embers build a blazing fire;
Love strong enough to overturn injustice,
To seek a world more gracious,
Come touch and bless our hearts.**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: The joy of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let us worship together!

***HYMN # 331 VU The Church's One Foundation**

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Leader: Pour out your spirit upon your church, O God,

People: and lead us in the Way of Jesus: the way of joy and sacrifice;

Leader: The way of challenge and community;

People: the way of love and courage.

Leader: Reform us, that your image may be seen more clearly within us.

And hear us as we 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 #585 VU Jesus Bids Us Shine, v.1

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S HYMN #585 VU Jesus Bids Us Shine, v.2

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

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Ephesians 3: 16-21

ANTHEM: *Come And Seek The Ways Of Wisdom* R.Duck/D.Kasbohm

SERMON: *Luther & The Reformation: The Good, The Bad & The Ugly*

HYMN# 642 VU Be Thou My Vision

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY: We Give Thee But Thine Own #543 VU

We give thee but thine own,

what e'er the gift may be.

All that we have is thine alone,

a trust, O God, from thee.

A TIME OF PRAYER:

As we recall the Reformation, let us also call for reconciliation within the Body of Christ. And so, we give thanks, O God,

For the church that in every age has taught the faith, shared the sacraments, and fed the hungry.

We give thanks, O God,

For those who work to create unity among all the churches,

And for those who seek ways to walk together. We ask forgiveness, O God,

When we fail to acknowledge that there are many ways to understand you.

We give thanks, O God,

For those in every age who offer the gift of challenge to the church when it has become complacent – or worse.

We give thanks, O God,

For the diversity of expression, and for the spirit of liberation that allows the church to continually re-new and re-form itself. This we pray in the name of God, Lover of us *all*! And all God's people said:

AMEN!

***HYMN #79 MV Spirit, Open My Heart**

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BLESSING: Go Now In Peace Besig/Price**

Go now in peace, never be afraid.

God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.

Know God will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others, so all the world can see,

God will be there, watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

A-a-men. A-a-men. A-a-a-men.

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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: Lorna Ball

Tellers This Week: Dorothy Webster and David Ward

Trustee on Duty (Nov): Ann Urquhart

LOOKING AHEAD:

Tue., Nov. 20th - 7:00 pm - Trustees Meeting

Wed., Nov. 21st - 7:00 pm - Committee of Stewards

Sat., Nov. 25th - NMUC Online Auction Fundraiser

Sun., Nov. 26th - 11:00 am- 136th Anniversary Service-Holy Communion

Tue., Nov. 28th - 7:00 pm - Official Board Meeting

Fri., Dec. 1st - 6:00 pm - Progressive Dinner

NMUC 136th ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

Sunday, November 26th, 2023 at 11:00 am

Join us for this anniversary service as we celebrate our **136th anniversary** at New Maryland United. Following the service, we will enjoy a sit down potluck luncheon. The potluck luncheon is planned to be a cold buffet of finger foods, ie. sandwiches, dips, cheese & crackers, or sweets.

M & S Fundraiser – Toonie Clocks will be collected between **Nov. 12-26th**. Fill them up and bring them in.

It's here!

The **2023 NMUC Online Auction Fundraiser** will be opening on **Saturday Nov. 25th, 9:00am** with the close **Saturday December 2nd, at 9:00pm.**

The auction can be accessed here [New Maryland Online Auction Fundraiser](#) or by visiting the NMU Church website [New Maryland United Church - Home](#).

There are lots of great items to bid on, so be sure to join in the fun! We encourage sharing news of our upcoming auction with family and friends. Together we can ensure we have a successful fundraising event to support the important work of our church.

Sincere thank you to all who donated.

For questions, please contact Sheila Power at spower1511@gmail.com or Myrna Belyea-Tracy at myrna.belyea16@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE! Friday, December 1st for our “**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 David & Loraine Ward; John & Ginny Kershaw have offered to host the main course; as well as, Revs. Kelly & Jane have graciously offered to host dessert. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board for adding your name and which course you'd like to contribute to.

Church BBQ – The Church BBQ has reached a point that it needs replacing. It is used for church social events as well as the salmon supper. Before purchasing a new one, the **Men's Club** would like to reach out to the congregation to determine if anyone has a good BBQ that they no longer need. If so please contact Dave Ward or Keith Ball.

GREETER SIGN UP SHEET – Just a reminder that there is a “Greeter Schedule” posted at the back door. If you would like to volunteer to be a greeter some Sunday morning, kindly fill in your name by any Sunday that would be convenient for you. Thanks!

CHURCH BULLETINS - Anyone wishing to sponsor a Sunday bulletin (\$20), please contact the church office (459-3313). We encourage everyone to consider being a sponsor as it off sets the cost of our weekly bulletins. There is a sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the foyer if you’d like to sponsor a bulletin for a particular day.

The **December** edition of “**Broadview**” has arrived and is available to borrow from the library area.

<p>GREENER VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE: For the month of November, we will focus on canned meats (tuna/ham, etc). However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.</p>
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COMMUNITY EVENTS:

ADVENT CAROL FESTIVAL – ST. PAUL’S UNITED CHURCH Join us on **Wednesday, December 5th** as choirs from around the Fredericton area come together to sing us into the Christmas season. In the midst of the singing, there will be a special offering taken up in support of local area Food Banks. Music starts at **7:30 pm** so come early to get a parking space and a seat!

NEW MARYLAND LIONS CLUB FOOD & TOY DRIVE will take place on **December 4, 5, 6, & 7**. The Christmas hampers help families in need in the New Maryland and surrounding areas. In the past, NMUC has collected canned peas to contribute to this project.

The peas should be in by **December 3rd**.