NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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October 22nd, 2023 11 am

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 friendship with its people. Grace and peace to you all!

Thought for Meditation:

I had a few friends who kept me sane, alert, and loyal to my own best and wildest inclinations...and for me it changed the world. **Mary Oliver**

THE GATHERING

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

*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF CHRIST CANDLE

*INTROIT: Praise God For This Holy Ground (#42MV, v.2)

Praise God in whose word we find, food for body, soul and mind. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! God's goodness is eternal.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The joy of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let us worship God together!

*HYMN #664 VU What A Friend We Have In Jesus

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: As we gather on this sacred day, Holy One, may the of blessing of the Maker be ours.

People: encircling us, above us, and within us.

Leader: May the Blessing of the Son be ours,

People: the food and the stories, to feed us and to remind us.

Leader: May the Blessing of the Spirit be ours,

People: the Wind and the Fire, the still small voice of calm, to

comfort us, and to disturb us.

Leader: May the Blessing of God be ours,

People: to delight us, confound us, encourage us and strengthen us.

Leader: And may we be a blessing to one another,

People: a blessing rooted in our common pilgrimage, the blessing of

a friend.

Leader: And hear us now as we join our voices, 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: It's A Song Of Praise To The Maker, MV 30,v.1

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S HYMN: It's A Song Of Praise To The Maker, MV 30, v.4

THE WORD OF GOD

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 33: 11-17

ANTHEM: Lean On Me Bill Withers/Dan Coates, arr.

SERMON: Moses And El Shaddai: The Holiness of Friendship

*HYMN #176 MV Three Things I Promise

THE RESPONSE

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY: As Those Of Old (#518 VU, v.3) With gratitude and humble trust we bring our best to you. Not just to serve your cause, but share your love with neighbours too.

O God, who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ, your son, Help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN # 161 MV I Have Called You By Your Name

*CHORAL BLESSING: Go To The World (#420 VU, v.4)
Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,
For I am with you 'til the age shall end,
When all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!"
Hal – le – lu – jah! Hal – le – lu – jah!

The bulletin today is dedicated in memory of Sam Simms. Lovingly remembered by Meg and family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

E-Mail: nmuc@nb.aibn.com

Website: www.newmarylandunited.ca

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: Cynthia Geldart

Teller This Week: Dorothy Webster and Ann Urquhart

Trustee on Duty (Oct): Jim Merrill

LOOKING AHEAD:

Sun., Oct. 22 - 11:00 am - Worship Service Coffee hour following the service

"BROADVIEW MAGAZINE". This is a United Church denominational magazine reporting on national and international issues of faith, justice, ethics, daily living and pop culture. The cost is \$30 per year for everyone. Your subscription may be ordered by placing your money in your regular offering envelope and marking it under "Other - Broadview" or by contacting Sharon Noel at (506) 459-5976 or at sjnoel@bellaliant.net If paying by cheque, please make your cheque payable to New Maryland United Church. Please note that your payment must be received by November 5, 2023 in order for it to be submitted in time for 2024.

The **Take-Out Salmon Supper** held last Sunday has been deemed a great success. There were 269 meals sold. A grand total will be announced after all donations and expenses have come in. This fundraiser would not have been possible without the help and support of the congregation. On behalf of the Men's Club a sincere thank you. Just a reminder that there are several apple crisp dishes and pickle jars to be picked up in the foyer.

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

NMUC LIBRARY – We have plenty of interesting books in our church library for anyone to borrow. There have been a couple of requests for "large print" novels for our library. If you have any at home or know someone who would like to donate some, we'd love to have them.

JIGSAW PUZZLE LIBRARY – We also have a lovely selection of jigsaw puzzles in the mini kitchen (off the sanctuary). They are available to anyone who would like to borrow them. A great way to pass the time. Donations of puzzles are greatly appreciated.

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 (up to end of November) posted on the bulletin board in the foyer if you'd like to sponsor a bulletin for a particular day.

GREENER VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE: For the month of **October**, we will focus on **canned diced tomatoes**. However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

NASHWAAKSIS UNITED CHURCH – Chili Take Out – Friday, November 3rd, 4:00 – 5:30 pm at Nashwaaksis United. Cost - \$15 (Menu – Mild Chili, Caesar Salad, Roll and Apple Crisp.) To reserve your meal, please call the church office at (506) 458-9452 or email admin@nashwaaksisunited.ca