

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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October 15th, 2023 11 am
Salmon Supper Sunday!

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: Every human interaction offers you the chance to make things better or to make things worse. *Barbara Brown Taylor*

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:** 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

We look for God on sunlit water and in swirling autumn leaves.

God is everywhere.

We look for God on windy autumn days and in the night sky.

God is everywhere.

We look for God across our dinner tables and across the world.

God is everywhere.

We look for God in happy times and sad times, in war and in peace,
when things change and when things stay the same.

God is everywhere.

LET US PRAY, BY JANE DOULL, ADAPTED

***HYMN #606 VU In Christ There Is No East or West**

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, we gather to worship you today with hearts full of joy and appreciation for the beauty of your diversity and extravagant welcome. We invite your Holy Spirit to this space to celebrate your goodness and presence in our gathering time together. Prepare our hearts to receive what you have for us today, and hear us as we pray as Jesus taught us,

Rev. Pésida Rivera-Méndez, Worship Ways

**CHILDREN'S HYMN #30 MV It's A Song Of Praise To The Maker, v.2
TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

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

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

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON(S): Matthew 22:1-14

REFLECTION

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

T H E R E S P O N S E

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 #154 MV Deep In Our Hearts**

***BENEDICTION** Read responsively
You are a blessed people.
We will go to be a blessing in the world.
You are the face of Jesus.
We will go to be love and compassion to all.
You are the family of God.
We will go to serve our sisters and brothers
wherever we may find them.

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***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 this week is dedicated in loving memory of Scott Parlee by
Allen, Shawn, Tara, Tyler and Brooklyn .*

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: Tina Glenn

Teller This Week: Dorothy Webster and Tina Glenn

Trustee on Duty (Oct): Jim Merrill

NMUC LIBRARY – Just a reminder that 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.

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.

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

NASHWAAKSIS UNITED CHURCH will be hosting a fraud/scamming session in the auditorium of **Nashwaaksis United**, on **Tuesday, Oct. 17th at 7:00 pm**. Guest speaker will be Cst. Mike Bamford of the Fredericton City Police. A question and answer period will follow and light refreshments will be served. All are welcome!

ST. PAUL’S UNITED CHURCH - Please join us at St. Paul’s on **October 18th at 5:30 pm** for a Fall Community Meal in the hall. Local Red Seal Chefs, Shawn & Beth Meister, have kindly volunteered to host this event to raise funds for St. Paul’s. On the menu is mustard & brown sugar glazed ham, brown butter mashed potato, seasonable vegetables, roll, tea & coffee. Apple crumble with ice-cream for dessert. Tickets are \$30 each, via cash or e-transfer to stpaulsoffice224@gmail.com and available for pick up at the office Monday-Friday 8 am-3 pm or on Sunday at our service. **4.**