

# NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015 11 am

## Baptism of Jesus

Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this joyous morning! We hope you feel at home in our midst. If you are visiting or new to the congregation please introduce yourself to Rev. Burke. Grace and peace to you!

### Thought for Meditation:

*Acceptance looks like a passive state, but in reality it brings something entirely new into this world. That peace, a subtle energy vibration, is consciousness.*  
Eckhart Tolle

## THE GATHERING

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

### \*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

\***INTROIT: Gather Us In** (Marty Haugen, from *Gather*)

Here in this place new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness vanished away.  
See in this space our fears and our dreamings,  
brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken,  
Gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
Call to us now and we shall awaken,  
We shall arise at the sound of our name!

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader:** The Light of Christ be with you.

**People:** And also with you.

**Leader:** Let us worship the Lord together!

\***HYMN#242 VU Let All Things Now Living**

**OPENING PRAYER: (in unison)**

**Holy God, before time you named us. Through time you redeem us.  
And always you call us precious in your sight. Named and claimed  
as your own, we are bold to say together:**

**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.**

**HYMN#47 MV Born in Human Likeness**

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

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

**\*RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 29, p.756 VU**

**GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 1:4-11**

**ANTHEM: *Long Before the Night***

*C. McDade*

**SERMON: *Without a single credential to his name....***

**\*HYMN # 163 MV River Running in You and Me**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERING & OFFERTORY (D. Dufner, OSB, from *Gather*)**

**Like ripples in a pool, our gifts, however small they are,  
will reach and heal a needy world, will comfort near and far.**

**For Christ will bless our bit of bread, the loaves our hands provide,  
till empty baskets overflow and all are satisfied.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**\*HYMN# 563 VU Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore**

## **BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL BLESSING: May the God of Hope Go With Us (#424 VU)**

**May the God of Hope go with us every day  
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.**

**May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
bringing light and hope to every land and race.**

**Praying, let us work for peace,  
singing, share our joy with all,  
working for a world that's new,  
faithful, when we hear Christ's call.**

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*Website:* [www.newmarylandunited.ca](http://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. Burke at 470-9634.*

**Greeters This Week:** Linda Lyons

**Tellers This Week:** L. Penney

**Trustees On Duty (Dec):** David Ward and Ann Urquhart

**Nursery:** Lorna Ball

## **LOOKING AHEAD:**

**Sun., Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> - 11:00 am - Worship Service**

**12:15 pm – Official Board Budget Meeting**

**Mon., Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> - 8:00 am - NMUC goes to Christ Church Cathedral**

**Sun., Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> - 11:00 am - Worship Service + Coffeetime**

**WELCOME BACK! Sunday School classes resume today.**

**Nursery care is also available.**

**2015 Church envelopes are available for pick up at the back door.**

### **TO ALL CHAIRPERSONS OF COMMITTEES**

A reminder from the **Nominating Committee** that all Chairpersons of Committees should check their committee's requirements for the upcoming year. To all members of the congregation, if you feel you would like to serve on a committee, please contact Dave Ward or Ruth Landers.

**Annual Reports:** It's that time of year again. Annual reports are due soon. Kindly submit them to the Church secretary by **January 31<sup>st</sup>**. You can submit your report as a hard copy or by e-mail: [nmuc@nb.aibn.com](mailto:nmuc@nb.aibn.com)

**GREEN COMMITTEE** – January white sales present a prime opportunity to change to organic cotton sheets & dry-fast towels to reduce energy usage. Local animal shelters welcome old towels and blankets. Homeless shelters also accept gently used clean linens and outgrown cold-weather gear.

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

**FOOD BANK:** For the month of **January** we will focus on **baked beans**. However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated. As well, they are collecting egg cartons and clean plastic bags.

**Our Sunday School is organizing their annual M & S fundraiser, which will begin in the New Year. In preparation, we are asking for donations of mason jars. If you have a jar or two to spare, please bring them to Church over the next couple of weeks for the Sunday School to use. Thank you for your support! The N.M.U.C. Sunday School /4.**

