# NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this holy 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 all!

**Thought for Meditation:** If I'm not for me, who will be? If I'm only for me, what am I? And if not now, when? (Rabbi Hillel)

### THE GATHERING

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

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

\*INTROIT: <u>Hope Shines as the Solitary Star</u> (#220 MV) Hope shines as the solitary star. Faith is the inner light. You and I together mirror the Light of Lights, and illumine the pathway home.

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader:** Now the day has come, we are all together in this place.

People: Captivated by a shining joyful light,

drawn to the warmth we find in one another.

Leader: May the spirit stir afresh in our midst.

People: May our common vision be restored.

May our dreams of daring be reawakened.

**Leader:** We are called to be the Church.

People: We are not alone.

\*HYMN #288 VU Great Is Thy Faithfulness

## **OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

Holiness revealed in human form,
Love expressed with a human voice,
we are called to be the Church.
We pray for the Spirit of Pentecost
in this time of worshipinspiring, enlivening, emboldening us.
Called from lonely isolation
into acts of daring selflessness,
may we see that sacred spark in one another.
Called from fearful silence
to proclaim the good news in every language,
may we hear the Spirit calling us by name.
(pause)
Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name.

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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# 8 MV And On This Path v.1 TIME WITH THE CHILDREN CHILDREN'S HYMN# 8 MV And On This Path v.2

## THE WORD OF GOD

#### THE SCRIPTURE LESSON:

Psalm 16 Voices United page 738 Mark 13:1-8

#### REFLECTION

\*HYMN# 169 MV When Hands Reach Out Beyond Divides

### THE RESPONSE

#### THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **OFFERING & OFFERTORY All That We Have (From Gather)**

All that we have and all that we offer, Comes from a heart both frightened and free. Take what we bring now and give what we need. All done in his name.

# **Prayer of Dedication:**

The bounty of this generous earth is a blessing. The reward of our daily labour is a treasure. We pray in gratitude for this abundance. Blessed by the action of the Spirit, may our gifts be empowered to bring healing, hope and justice throughout the world. We pray out of deep joy. Thanks be. Amen

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

\*HYMN # 586 VU We Shall Go Out With Hope Of Resurrection

#### WORDS OF BLESSING

**Leader:** Go in peace and grace.

Startle the world with the power of your story, the sound of your joy, and the signs of your love.

People: Blessed to us is the journey before us.

Blessed to us the friends who travel with us.

Blessed to us the company of the Spirit on the way.

CHORAL BLESSING: May God's Sheltering Wings (#214 MV) May God's sheltering wings, her gathering wings protect you. May God's nurturing arms, her cradling arms sustain you, and hold you in her love, and hold you in her love.

Today we welcome Heather Donnelly as worship leader. Heather is the Chair of Woolastook Presbytery, a member of St Andrews United Church in Harvey, and is undertaking the Licensed Lay Worship Leader Programme. Thank you for sharing your time and gifts Heather!

Note: Most of this liturgy was written by Robyn Brown-Hewitt and can found in the "Called to Be the Church" worship resources on The United Church website.

# **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. Burke at 470-9634.

Greeters This Week: Nancy and Don Ostaff

Tellers This Week: Lloyd Penney and Ann Urquhart Trustees On Duty (Nov): Jim Merrill and Allen Parlee

Sunday School: Krista Tupling & Brooke-Lyn Power Nursery:Lorna Ball

The bulletin today is dedicated to Kaye Lister, our dedicated and talented editor of "The Beacon", our church photographer and much more. Happy Birthday Kaye from your very good friend, Verna Brett.

#### **LOOKING AHEAD:**

Tue., Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> - 1:30 pm - Session Meeting

6:30 pm - Board of Trustees Meeting

Wed., Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> - 1:00 pm - Quilters

7:00 pm - U.C.W. (see below)

Thur., Nov. 19th - 10:30 am - Worship Committee Meeting

Sun., Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> - 11:00 am - 128<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service (see over)

Tue., Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 pm - Committee of Stewards

7:30 pm - Official Board Meeting

Fri., Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 pm - Progressive Dinner (see over)

U.C.W. will meet at a later date than usual, on November 18th at 7 pm in the home of Sandra Cook (50 Whittaker Road in Rusagonis). New members are always very welcome. Contact Dorothy at 457-9795 for more info. Church calendars are now available for purchase for \$6. See Anne Johnson following the service.

# N.M.U.C. 128<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY SERVICE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2015 - 11:00 AM

Join us next Sunday as we celebrate our 128<sup>th</sup> anniversary at New Maryland United! Following the service, we will have a sit down potluck luncheon. You can bring what you like ...hot or cold dishes or desserts. We will provide the anniversary cake and tea/coffee/juice. We look forward to a time of fellowship and food.

M&S Fund: Just a reminder of the Sunday School sponsored fundraiser for the Mission and Service Fund, our "Spare Change Jars". As you get home from your busy day, with all that change loading down your pockets and purses, please feel free to use the spare change jar to lighten your load! We would like to have all Jars returned to the church by the beginning of January. Please feel free to continue until this time. However, if your jar is filled before that, we will certainly accept it whenever you would like to bring it in. Each year, the New Maryland United Church pledges to donate a certain amount to the Mission and Service Fund. Estimating what the "Spare Change Jars" will bring in, the M&S collection for our church is still about \$1000 short of where it usually is by this time in the year. The M.&S. committee would ask you to keep this in mind over the next couple of months. Every little bit helps us in reaching our goal for 2015!

The new New Maryland United Church website is now in place. Please have a look by googling New Maryland United Church in your browser or using the web address of <a href="http://www.newmarylandunited.ca">http://www.newmarylandunited.ca</a>. Many thanks to Pam Gonnason for her lovely new painting of our church dis- played on our web site and to Kaye Lister for providing the many pictures for the web site; without her it would not have come together so quickly. The site is easily edited so please email or phone me with any concerns you have. This is your web site; I am only the administrator. Hopefully, with your input, we can keep the site current. Thanks for your help.

Sue Harris

**GREEN TIP**: To get rid of rust on cast iron, cut a potato in half, dip in baking soda and rub over item until rust is gone. Wash. (If cut end of potato gets slippery, cut it again and repeat.)

**FOOD BANK** - For the month of **November**, we will focus on **macaroni and cheese.** However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.

The "OBSERVER" is constantly in touch with people from all over the United Church of Canada. The cost of a subscription to the "Observer" has increased, effective January 2016, from \$20 to \$25 and can be ordered by putting your money in your regular envelope and marking it under Other as "Observer" or contact Sharon Noël at 459-5976. Please note that your money must be received by the end of November in order to be submitted in time for 2016.

**SAVE THE DATE!** Plans are underway for our annual "**Progressive Dinner**" for **Friday evening**, **December 4th at 6:00 pm.** Doug & Anne Johnson have offered to host the appetizer course and Dorothy Webster has graciously offered to host the main course. We will finish off the evening with dessert at the home of Revs. Kelly & Jane. Join in the fun and add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back door for whichever course you'd like to contribute to.

#### **COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

**FOREST HILL UNITED CHURCH** There will be a **TURKEY SUPPER & Bake Sale** on **Saturday, 21 November**, from 4 to 6 p.m., at **Forest Hill United Church** on Kimble Court. Tickets at the door – \$12:00 for adults, \$7:00 for ages 6 to 12, 5 or under free. Gluten-free (Celiac) meals and takeouts will be available. Wheelchair accessible.

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY – The 2015 Christmas ornament is available (\$12 each). Contact Allen or Marilyn Parlee @ 459-8007. There is a sample in the Church office.