

# **NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**

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February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016    11 am  
ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY

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**

*Where the battle rages, there the loyalty of the soldier is proved.*  
— 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 and Seek The Ways of Wisdom (#10 MV)**

Come and seek the ways of Wisdom,  
she who danced when earth was new.  
Follow closely what she teaches,  
for her words are right and true.  
Wisdom clears the path to justice,  
showing us what love must do.

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

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

**People:** And also with you.

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

**\*HYMN# 484 VU God, The All-Holy**

**OPENING PRAYER:**

**God of history, and God of our hearts, we gather together on this day, knowing you have been with us in the past, asking you to be with us now, and trusting that you will be with us in the days to come.**

**God of all our days, hear us now 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.**

**HYMN #585 VU Jesus Bids Us Shine v.1**

**A Time with the Children**

**HYMN #585 VU Jesus Bids Us Shine v.3**

**T H E   W O R D   O F   G O D**

**THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: 1Corinthians 4:1-2**

**Proverbs 3:3**

**Revelation 2:10**

**ANTHEM: *Blessed Are Those Who Are Called To The Table*    *L.Good***

**SERMON: *On Being Faithful***

**\*HYMN#28 MV God Of The Bible**

# THE RESPONSE

## 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#625 VU I Feel The Winds of God Today

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BLESSING: Take Up His Song (#213 MV)

Take up his song of peace and go into the world.

Take up his song of peace in every moment.

In every moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives;  
lay them down, in peace, lay them down,  
and take up his song.

*The bulletin today is dedicated in loving memory of  
my sister Bertha Brown by Lydia (Brown) LaPointe.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

E-Mail: [nmuc@nb.aibn.com](mailto:nmuc@nb.aibn.com)

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:** Brooke-Lyn and Brodie Power

**Tellers This Week:** Lloyd Penney and Bob Watson

**Trustees On Duty (Feb):** Jim Merrill and Lloyd Penney

**Sunday School:** Krista Tupling and Brodie Power    **Nursery:** Lorna Ball

## **LOOKING AHEAD:**

<b>Sun., Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> -</b>	<b>11:00 am - Worship Service</b>
	<b>12:00 pm - Congregational Annual Meeting</b>
<b>Mon., Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> -</b>	<b>1:00 pm - Lenten Bible Study (see over)</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> -</b>	<b>7:00 pm - Ash Wednesday Service</b>
<b>Sun., Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> -</b>	<b>11:00 am - Worship Service - Lent I</b>
<b>Mon., Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> -</b>	<b>8:00 am - Outreach – Christ Church Cathedral</b>
<b>Wed., Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> -</b>	<b>7:00 pm - U.C.W. Meeting (see over)</b>
<b>Sun., Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> -</b>	<b>11:00 am – Worship Service – Lent II</b>
<b>Sun., Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> -</b>	<b>11:00 am - Worship Service – Lent III</b>

## **Annual Congregational Meeting – 12 noon – Sunday, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>**

Join us for our annual Congregational meeting today and potluck luncheon following the service. 2015 Annual reports are available at both doors. The Nominating Committee invite members of the congregation to participate in the life of our Church by serving on one of our Committees. Your talents are always appreciated. **Open to all members and adherents of NMUC.**

Our **Lenten Study** this year is entitled "**Gather, Talk, Eat: The Sacred Act of Sharing Meals**"

What would you choose to be your last meal? Where would you eat it?  
With whom would you like to share your table?

Lent, with its ancient emphasis on fasting and silence, may seem like an odd time to pursue such a focus as gathering together around food and conversation. But that is exactly what I am proposing. We will reflect on holy stories- scriptural and otherwise - that centre around a meal, a recipe, and life together as God's people. Please join us as you are able, beginning:

**Monday, Feb 8th at 1 pm**

**100 Berkley Dr, New Maryland, (Forbes subdivision, off Crown)  
470-9634**

**U.C.W.** will start of the New Year with a **Bring and Buy** meeting on **Wed., Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm** in the home of Dorothy Webster, 215 Bradshaw Drive. This is a week later in the month than we normally have our meetings because this year Ash Wednesday falls on our usual meeting date. This meeting will be our annual Bring and Buy...so gather up those gently used items you no longer use and join us for an evening of friendship and fun! New members are very welcome. Call Dorothy at **457-9795** for more info.

**Volunteers Needed**

The **Outreach Committee** is looking for volunteers who would be willing to make sandwiches for the **Cathedral Outreach Program** that our church supports. It involves making 2 loaves of egg salad sandwiches once a month. If enough volunteers come forward, they will only be called upon **ONCE** a year! If you are interested in having your name added to the schedule please contact **Sue Morrison 458-8150**.

**NURSERY:** We are in need of some volunteers for the nursery each **Sunday**. If you would like to take a turn with the wee ones, see **Lorna Ball** or call **459-3313 (church)** or **455-1948 (home)**.

There are still a few **Church envelopes (2016)** for pick up in Lorna's office. If you would like envelopes for 2016, contact Lloyd Penney at 459-8622.

**GREEN TIP:** At this time of year when boots are worn continually, storing them can be cumbersome, especially when they flop over in the bottom of your closet. Tie or tape 2 or 3 paper towel rolls together, put them in boots to keep them upright.

**FOOD BANK** - For the month of **February**, we will focus on **canned soups (all types)**. However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.

### **COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

**Gibson Memorial United Church** (183 Gibson St.), will be hosting a "Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper", **Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>**, 4 – 6 p.m. Menu: Sausages, Ham, Pancakes, Potato Scallop, Baked Beans, Brown Bread & Dessert. Tickets; \$12 Adult and \$3 Child; call 457-1951 to reserve your tickets.

**Marysville United Church** (351 Canada St, F'ton) Pancake Supper **Tuesday, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>** - 4:30-6:00 pm -\$7 for adults, \$3 for children 6-12, free for under 5 Pancakes, beans, sausages, rolls, and dessert will be served.

The **Fredericton Women's Inter-Church Council** is having the **World Day of Prayer Bible Study** on **Monday, February 15, 2016** at **10:00 am** at St. Andrews's Presbyterian Church 512 Charlotte Street, Fredericton. The Women of Cuba have prepared the World Day of prayer event. All are welcome and bring a friend.

### **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. E-mail notification: If you have e-mail, 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.

The answering machine on the church telephone (459-3313).

