

# **NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH**

## **THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA**

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April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016    11:00 a.m.  
EASTER 2: *Still* Celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord

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. Easter grace and joy to you all!

### **THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION**

*As I see it, the primary religious task these days is to try to think clearly....You can't think clearly with a heart full of fear, for fear seeks safety, not truth. A heart full of love, on the other hand, has a limbering effect on the mind!*

**William Sloan Coffin**

## **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.

**\*LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**\*WELCOME**

**\*INTROIT:(#187VU)**

**The spring has come, let all the church be part of it!**  
**The world has changed, and God is at the heart of it!**  
**New light, new day, new colour after winter grey.**  
**New light, new day, the spring has come,**  
**let all the church be part of it!**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Leader: Peace be with you.**  
**People: And also with you.**

**\*HYMN #371 VU   Open My Eyes That I May See**

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

**O God, with the glory of the Resurrection stirring within us, we gather as your Easter people. Fill us with your Spirit, with your life, with your hope, and with your love. This we pray in the name of the Risen Christ, 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 #958 Halle, Halle, Halle**

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

**CHILDREN'S HYMN #958 Halle, Halle, Halle**

## **T H E   W O R D   O F   G O D**

**RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 118 p.837 VU Parts 1, 2 and 3**

**THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:19-31**

**ANTHEM**

**SERMON: *Hide n Seek: An Easter Story***

**\*HYMN #185 VU You Tell Me That The Lord is Risen**

## **T H E   R E S P O N S E**

**THE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **OFFERING & OFFERTORY (#179 VU)**

**Hallelujah, hallelujah, give thanks to the Risen Christ,**

**Hallelujah, hallelujah, give praise to God's name.**

**Spread the good news o'er all the earth, Jesus has died and is risen!**

**Hallelujah, hallelujah, give thanks to the Risen Christ,**

**Hallelujah, hallelujah, give praise to God's name.**

## **A RESURRECTION PRAYER LITANY:**

**We choose not to give in to fear:**

**Even when we are threatened by harm, we choose to believe in the power of love.**

**We choose not to be led by despair:**

**Even when dreams fail and the world seems to grow colder and more broken,  
we choose to believe in the power of hope.**

**We choose not to be blinded by cynicism:**

**Even when joy and celebration feel naïve and frivolous,  
we choose to believe in the power of faith.**

**We choose not to be over-awed by death:**

**Even when grief shuts out all other voices,  
we choose to believe in the power of life.**

**In every time,**

**in each place,**

**with all people,**

**may Your Resurrection rise up within us,**

**and lead us to new, loving, healing choices. Amen.**

**\*HYMN #173 VU Thine Is The Glory**

**BENEDICTION**

## CHORAL BLESSING

Amen (#974 VU)

A-men! A-men! Hallelujah! A-men!

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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:** Amber & Emma Knorr and Jessica & Abby Tupling

**Tellers This Week:** Bob Watson and Dave Ward

**Trustees On Duty (Mar):** Doug Price and Dave Ward

**Sunday School:** Krista Tupling & Sarah Loftus

### LOOKING AHEAD:

**Mon., Apr. 4<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm - Men's Club Meeting**

**Wed., Apr. 6<sup>th</sup> - 1:00 pm - Quilters**

**6:00 pm - Men's Club "Chili Night" (see below)**

**Tue., Apr. 12<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm - Outreach Meeting**

**Wed., Apr. 13<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm - U.C.W. Meeting (see over)**

**Thur., Apr. 14<sup>th</sup> - 10:00 am - Worship Committee Meeting**

**Tue., Apr. 26<sup>th</sup> - 12:00 noon - U.C.W. Bridge Luncheon**

**Mark YOUR CALENDAR for Wednesday, April 6 at 6pm for the Men's Club "Chili Night". Guest speaker will be Rod Campbell with a thriller of a story! Proceeds to go to the New Maryland Elementary School Playground Equipment Fundraiser.**

**U.C.W.** will meet on **Wed., April 13th at 7 p.m.** in the home of Loraine Ward, 64 Kindle Court. New members would be very welcome. If you need a ride to the meeting or more info, please contact Dorothy at 457-9795.

**U.C.W.** is holding a **Bridge Luncheon** at the New Maryland Rec Centre on **Tuesday, April 26th from 12 to 3pm.** You can reserve your table of four for \$40 by calling Loraine at 455-8208.

**GREEN TIP:** To keep dirt out of your house, have everyone wipe their feet six times on a doormat before entering, studies prove they'll track in 85% less dirt!

<p><b>FOOD BANK</b> - For the month of <b>April</b>, we will focus on <b>macaroni</b> and <b>cheese</b>. However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.</p>
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## **COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

**Oromocto High School presents Beauty and the Beast!**

**April 15 and April 16** at the OHS theatre (25 MacKenzie Ave.) at 6:30 p.m. Doors open at 6. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$5 for students. This show is an all ages classic with high-energy dance numbers, musical favourites and guest performers from Summerhill Elementary School! Please see Carolyn for more information.

**Muscular Dystrophy** – A booksale will be held on **April 28 & 29<sup>th</sup>** at **King's Place**. Books can be dropped off at our house or I (Allen Parlee) will pick up.

**Nashwaaksis United Church UCW, Unit 6**, will host a **SPRING LUNCHEON BRIDGE** on **Thursday, May 5th, at 12 noon** at the Nashwaaksis United Church auditorium (46 Main St.) Fredericton. Cost is \$40 per table of four with proceeds going toward church and community initiatives. Please contact Sharon at 458-5246 to reserve your table.

