

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH

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DADS' N GRADS SUNDAY

Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this sacred 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 friendship with its people. Grace and peace to you all!

Thought for Meditation:

I believe that what we become depends on what our fathers teach us at odd moments, when they aren't trying to teach us. We are formed by little scraps of wisdom. **Umberto Eco**

T H E G A T H E R I N G

WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

INTROIT: #79 MV Spirit, Open My Heart (Refrain/v.2/ Refrain)

Refrain:

**Spirit open my heart
To the joy and pain of living
As you love may I love
In receiving and in giving Spirit,
open my heart**

**2. Write your love upon my heart
as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed,
may my living bring you glory. R.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let us worship together!

HYMN #375 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness (verses 1, 2 and 4)

**Refrain: Spirit, spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness, calling and free,
Spirit, spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.**

**1. You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing: “Awake from your slumbers
and rise on your wings.” R.**

**2. You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes. R.**

**4. You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise. R.**

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Leader: We call you by many names, O God: Adonai, the Lord;
el Shaddai, Almighty; Merciful One; Loving One.**

**People: We call you Alpha and Omega – Beginning and End;
Ancient of Days, and New Every Morning.**

**Leader: But we can also call you Abba/Father, just as Jesus did, 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.**

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

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Deuteronomy 11: 18-21

HYMN#651 Guide Me O, Thou Great Jehovah

**1. Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but Thou art mighty,
Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand.
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more;
Feed me till I want no more.**

**2. Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through.
Strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer,
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield;
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.**

**3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell's Destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises,**

**I will ever give to Thee;
I will ever give to Thee.**

SERMON: Lessons Learned: What We Keep, What We Change, What We Let Go

MUSIC: *You Can Do This Hard Thing* Carrie Newcomer

There at the table
With my head in my hands
A column of numbers
I just could not understand
You said "Add these together
Carry the two
Now you."

**You can do this hard thing
You can do this hard thing
It's not easy I know
But I believe that it's so
You can do this hard thing**

At a cold winter station
Breathing into our gloves
This would change me forever
Leaving for God knows what
You carried my bags
You said "I'll wait
For you."

**You can do this hard thing
You can do this hard thing
It's not easy I know
But I believe that it's so
You can do this hard thing**

Late at night I called
And you answered the phone
The worst it had happened
And I did not want to be alone
You quietly listened
You said "We'll see this thru."

You can do this hard thing

**You can do this hard thing
It's not easy I know
But I believe that it's so
You can do this hard thing**

Here we stand breathless
And pressed in hard times
Hearts hung like laundry
On backyard clothes lines
Impossible just takes
A little more time.

From the muddy ground
Comes a green volunteer
In a place we thought barren
New life appears
Morning will come whistling
Some comforting tune
For you

**You can do this hard thing
You can do this hard thing
It's not easy I know
But I believe that it's so
You can do this hard thing.**

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOGNITION OF OUR GRADUATES

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN #595 VU We Are Pilgrims (verses 1,3, 4 and 6)

**1. We are pilgrims on a journey.
fellow travellers on the road.**

**We are here to help each other
Walk the mile and bear the load.**

**3. I will hold the Christ-light for you
In the night time of your fear.**

**I will hold my hand out to you;
Speak the peace you long to hear.**

**4. I will weep when you are weeping.
When you laugh, I'll laugh with you.
I will share your joy and sorrow
Till we've seen this journey through.**

**6. Brother, let me be your servant.
Let me be as Christ to you.
Pray that I might have the grace
To let you be my servant, too.**

THE BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING: #216 MV Wherever You Will Go

**Wherever you may go, I will follow,
And your people shall be my people too.
Wherever you may go, I will follow,
For I would be faithful, loyal and true.**

**Say the word and I will stay,
I will never go away,
We will travel side by side,
And God's love will be our guide.**

**Wherever you may go, I will follow,
And your people shall be my people too.
Wherever you may go, I will follow,
For I would be faithful, loyal and true.**

GRADUATES

**Sheena Morrow
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(granddaughter of Ann Urquhart)**

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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.

Screening Questions: Meg Simms

Recording Names: Sandra Cook

Ushering: Sharon Noel

Tellers This Week: Jim Merrill and Meg Simms

Trustees On Duty (June): Jim Merrill

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GREETER SIGN UP SHEET – Just a reminder that there is a “Greeter Schedule” posted at the back door. During “Covid-19” we have new greeter roles to fill. We’d love to have you help out. *Three people are required each Sunday: someone asking the screening questions; someone recording the names; and someone ushering. As well, volunteers are required for cleaning following the service.* If you would like to volunteer to in one of these roles some Sunday morning, kindly fill in your name by that particular Sunday or call the Church office at 459-3313. Thanks!