NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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June 27th, 2021 11 am LAST BEFORE SUMMER

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:

Wherever you are, whatever you did It's a page in your book, but it isn't the end.

The Sidewalk Prophets, "Prodigal"

THE GATHERING

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 #708 VU My Lord What A Morning

R: My Lord, what a morning; my Lord, what a morning; My Lord, what a morning, when the stars begin to fall.

You'll hear the trumpet sound, to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. R.

You'll hear the sinner cry to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. R.

You'll hear the Christian shout to wake the nations underground, looking to my God's right hand, when the stars begin to fall. R.

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

We gather together, O God: the prodigals and the well behaved. Because somehow here, together, we find our home. And so we say:

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.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 15: 11-32

HYMN#227 VU For The Fruit Of All Creation

- 1. For the fruit of all creation,
 Thanks be to God.
 For the gifts to ev'ry nation,
 Thanks be to God.
 For the plowing, sowing, reaping,
 Silent growth while we are sleeping,
 Future needs in earth's safe-keeping,
 Thanks be to God.
- 2. In the just reward of labour, God's will is done. In the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done. In our world-wide task of caring For the hungry and despairing, In the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.
- 3. For the harvests of the Spirit,
 Thanks be to God.
 For the good we all inherit,
 Thanks be to God.
 For the wonders that astound us,
 For the truths that still confound us,
 Most of all, that love has found us,
 Thanks be to God.

SERMON: On Staying And Leaving And How To Come Home

MUSIC: Bare To The Bone Carrie Newcomer

THE RESPONSE

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN #266 VU Amazing Grace (verses 1, 2, 3 and 5)

- 1. Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.
- 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace, my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed.
- 3. Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come; 'Tis Grace that brought me safe thus far, And Grace will lead me home.
- 5. When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun!

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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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: David Ward

Recording Names: Meg Simms

Ushering: Loraine Ward

Tellers This Week: Jim Merrill and Keith Ball

Trustees On Duty (June): Jim Merrill

DONATING TO SPECIAL PROJECTS? If you are assigning some of your weekly offering to "Special Projects" on your church offering envelope, please indicate exactly what fund you want to donate to: Outreach? Food Bank? Cemetery? Memorial? or Sunday School. Your financial support is always appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Morrison, Chair of Stewards (458-8150).

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!