

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH

THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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May 9th, 2021 11 am
EASTER 6: Honouring Those Who Have Mothered Us

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 Alleluia to you all!

Thought for Meditation:

*When they laid you in the crook
of my arms like a bouquet and I looked
into your eyes, dark bits of evening sky,
I thought, of course this is you,
like a person who has never seen the sea
can recognize it instantly.*

Ellen Bass, “For My Daughter on Her Twenty-First Birthday”

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

WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

INTROIT: #409 VU Morning Has Broken v.1

**Morning has broken like the first morning.
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing, praise for the morning,
Praise for them springing fresh from the word.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Christ is risen!
People: Christ is risen indeed!
Leader: Let us worship together!

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: Just as new life rises through the branches, sprouting budding, and greening the world around us, O God,

People: so may your spirit pulse through us, body and soul. May it bear fruit in our friendships, our families, our work, and in this time together.

Leader: This we pray in the name of Jesus, the Risen One, who asked his friends to 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 #395 VU Come In, Come In And Sit Down

Refrain: Come in, come in and sit down,

you are a part of the family.

We are lost and we are found,

and we are a part of the family.

**1. You know the reason why you came,
yet no reason can explain;
so share in the laughter and cry in the pain,
for we are a part of the family. R.**

**2. God is with us in this place,
like a mother's warm embrace.
We're all forgiven by God's grace,
for we are a part of the family. R.**

**3. There's life to be shared in the bread and the wine;
we are the branches, Christ is the vine.
This is God's temple, it's not yours or mine,
but we are a part of the family. R.**

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

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 15: 1-5

SERMON: *Intertwined Lives*

MUSIC: Moon Joyce: *Everyday Moments* Connie Kaldor

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN# 205 VU Like The Murmur Of The Dove's Song

**1. Like the murmur of the dove's song,
like the challenge of her flight,
like the vigour of the wind's rush,
like the new flame's eager might:
come, Holy Spirit, come.**

**2. To the members of Christ's body,
to the branches of the Vine,
to the church in faith assembled,
to our midst as gift and sign:
come, Holy Spirit, come.**

**3. With the healing of division,
with the ceaseless voice of prayer,
with the power to love and witness,
with the peace beyond compare:
come, Holy Spirit, come.**

THE BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING: #213 MV Take Up His Song

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

Take up his song of peace in ev'ry moment.

In ev'ry moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives;

Lay them down in peace, lay them down, and take up his song.

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. Dr. Kelly Burke at 470-9634.

Screening Questions: David Ward

Recording Names: Loraine Ward

Ushering: Linda Watson

Tellers This Week: Jim Merrill and David Ward

Trustees On Duty (May): Ann Urquhart and Doug Price

LOOKING AHEAD:

Tue., May 11th - 7:00 pm – Official Board Meeting

GRADUATES – If you are graduating or know of someone within our church family who is graduating this year from high school, college, or university, please give the office a call (459-3313) or let Rev. Kelly know.

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!

BULLETIN DEDICATION - Anyone wishing to sponsor a Sunday bulletin to celebrate a family event, special day, or memorial can do so by contacting the Church secretary at 459-3313. The cost is \$20.

LENDING LIBRARY - To keep everyone as safe as possible, we ask that, when returning books, you place them in a bag, with a note as to the date, and leave them on the bottom shelf of the library (it is marked for you). Books will be set aside for 4 days before being put into circulation. Thank you all, and happy, healthy reading!

GREENER VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE

For the month of **May**, we will focus on **juice boxes**. However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

GIBSON MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH (183 Gibson St.) will be hosting a **Yard Sale & Bake Sale** on **Saturday, June 5th 8 am – 12 noon**. Rain or shine and Covid Protocols will be followed.