

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

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:

Call it a clan, call it a network, call it a tribe, call it a family. Whatever you call it, whoever you are, you need one. Jane Howard

THE GATHERING

*Please rise in body or in spirit for sections marked with an asterisk.

*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

*Introit: Let Us Build A House (#1 MV, verse 5, Refrain)

Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.

Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

All are welcome, all are welcome

All are welcome in this place

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Light of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let us worship the Lord together!

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Holy God, before time you named us. Through time you redeem us.
And always, you call us precious in your sight. Named and claimed
as your own, water-washed and spirit-born, we gather 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# 442 VU Wash Us, God, Your Sons And Daughters**

Introduction to The Sacrament (From: *A Song of Faith*):

In grateful response to God's abundant love,
we bear in mind our integral connection
to the earth and one another;

we participate in God's work of healing and mending creation.

To point to the presence of the holy in the world,

**the church receives, consecrates, and shares
visible signs of the grace of God.**

In company with the churches
of the Reformed and Methodist traditions,
we celebrate two sacraments as gifts of Christ:
baptism and holy communion.

In these sacraments the ordinary things of life
—water, bread, wine—

point beyond themselves to God and God's love,
teaching us to be alert to the sacred in the midst of life.

**Before conscious thought or action on our part,
we are born into the brokenness of this world.
Before conscious thought or action on our part,
we are surrounded by God's redeeming love.**

Baptism by water in the name of the Holy Trinity
is the means by which we are received, at any age,
into the covenanted community of the church.

**Baptism signifies the nurturing, sustaining,
and transforming power of God's love
and our grateful response to that grace.**

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

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 1: 9-11

**TRIO: Dorothy Webster, Sharon Noel & Lynda-Jean Coffin: *I Have Called
You By Your Name* (words/music: D.C. Damon)**

SERMON: *On Water, Light & Love: Remembering Our Baptism*

***HYMN #644 VU I Was There To Hear Your Borning Cry**

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN #585 VU Jesus Bids Us Shine**

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BLESSING: Grateful (#182 MV, chorus)**

**Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son,
joyful in your Spirit flowing over all, O God of Love.**

**Grateful for the Bread of Heaven, thankful for your Holy Word,
Joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.**

Today we joyfully welcomed Adalyn Grace Angus, as she was baptized into this community of faith. Adalyn is the daughter of Kara (Hachey) and Greg Angus; the little sister of Ayla and Audrey, and the granddaughter of Donna and Gary Hachey and Cindy and Grant Angus. Blessings abound!

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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.

Greeter This Week: Tina Glenn

Tellers This Week: Merlin Tracy and Tina Glenn

Trustees On Duty (Oct): Jim Merrill

FALL FUNDRAISER - As you know, our church has been unable to have any fundraising events for the past two years because of Covid restrictions. For this reason, The Committee of Stewards has decided to have a Fall Fundraiser (donations only) in an effort to fill the gap from our normal fundraising activities.

Please consider donating to this worthwhile cause. Every dollar donated will be used to support church operations and maintenance.

When making a donation, please indicate on your offering envelope (or a plain envelope) that it is for the Fall Fundraiser.

Thank you for your support! The Committee of Stewards

M & S Fundraiser: Spare-Change Jars - Is your spare-change jar getting too heavy to lift and you want us to take it off your hands? Or have you been meaning to add to it all along but keep buying coffee instead? Well, there are only a few weeks left to fill-up that jar! We will start collecting the jars on **Oct. 31st and will do so until Nov. 14th**. Please return jars to the church during this time and make sure to include your name and envelope number for tax purposes. If you have any questions, or want your jar picked up from your home, contact Sheila Power at 472-9824. Money raised will go to the M & S. Thank you to everyone for your contributions.

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GREETER SIGN UP SHEET – Just a reminder that there is a “Greeter Schedule” posted at the back door. If you would like to volunteer to be greeter some Sunday morning that would be convenient for you, kindly fill in your name by that particular Sunday. Thanks!

GREENER VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE

For the month of **October**, we will focus on **canned tuna/chicken/ham**. **However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated.**
