

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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February 5th, 2017 11 am

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. Grace and peace to you all.

THOUGHT FOR MEDITATION

God can shoot with the warped bow and ride the lame horse.

Martin Luther, Protestant reformer

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.

*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

*INTROIT: Come and Seek The Ways of Wisdom (#10 MV)

Come and seek the ways of Wisdom,
she who danced when earth was new.
Follow closely what she teaches,
for her words are right and true.
Wisdom clears the path to justice,
showing us what love must do.

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: In this hour of worship, may the Spirit of God inspire us to be:

People: salt of the earth, light of the world.

Leader: In this morning of prayer, may the Spirit of God motivate us:

People: to let our light shine before others.

Leader: On this day of rest, may the Spirit of God encourage us to be:

People: a thoughtful, and compassionate people of God.

Leader: In this journey of faith, may the Spirit of God fulfill us to be:

People: a people of Jesus, a community of good faith, where love is made known.

***HYMN#30 MV It's a Song of Praise to the Maker**

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN #585 VU Jesus Bids Us Shine

A Time with the Children

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PRAYING FOR FORGIVENESS AND UNDERSTANDING

Leader: Salt you call us to be and light too,

People: yet our hurts and grievances turn us bland and dull.

Leader: We have this treasure called faith to instruct and shape us,

People: yet other treasures shape our desires and compete with faith in you.

Leader: The Spirit encourages us, true,

People: but the spirit of this world, broken and selfish, also bends our ears.

Leader: And so we confess that at times we are a little people with a little faith,

People: when Jesus knows just how great we truly can be.

Leader: So having admitted all of this, God's grace shines upon us:

People: for God can work with us, believes in us, and sees hope in us always.

Leader: God loves us infinitely more than we can possibly know

People: and in that eternal love and forgiveness, we are free and thankful. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Psalm 112, VU 834

Isaiah 58: 1-12

Matthew 5: 13-20

ANTHEM: *Blessed Are Those Who Are Called to the Table* L. Good

SERMON

HYMN#679 VU Let There Be Light

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY All That We Have (From *Gather*)

**All that we have and all that we offer,
Comes from a heart both frightened and free.
Take what we bring now and give what we need.
All done in his name.**

HYMN #194 MV Bread of Life, Feed My Soul

CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION (see insert)

***HYMN#499 VU Living Christ, Bring Us Love**

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BLESSING: Take Up His Song (#213 MV)**

**Take up his song of peace and go into the world.
Take up his song of peace in every moment.
In every moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives;
lay them down, in peace, lay them down,
and take up his song.**

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E-Mail: nmuc@nb.aibn.com

Website: 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. Jane Johnson at 440-9981.

Greeters This Week: Lorna and Keith Ball

Tellers This Week: Lloyd Penney and Bob Watson

Trustees On Duty (Feb): Jim Merrill and Doug Price

LOOKING AHEAD:

Mon., Feb. 6th - 7:00 pm - Men's Club Meeting

Wed., Feb. 8th - 1:00 pm - Quilters

- 7:00 pm - U.C.W. Meeting (see over)

Sun., Feb. 19th - 12:00 noon - Congregational Annual Meeting (see below)

Annual Congregational Meeting – 12 noon – Sunday, February 19, 2017

Plan to attend our annual Congregational Meeting and stay for a potluck luncheon between the service and meeting. If you would like to bring some fingerfood to share for lunch, that would be most appreciated: for instance, sandwiches, cheese & crackers, fruit, a veggie tray, etc. Coffee, tea and juice will be provided. **(Open to all members & adherents of NMUC)**

(Storm date: February 26th)

**NOTE: If you would like to send a card to Rev. Kelly during her time away, her mailing address is: Rev. Kelly Burke,
100 Berkley Drive,
New Maryland, NB E3C 1C3**

U.C.W. will meet at **7 pm** on **Wed., Feb. 8th** in the home of Dorothy Webster, 215 Bradshaw Drive. This meeting will be our **annual “Bring and Buy Sale”**. New members would be very welcome. For more info contact Dorothy at 457-9795.

The **NOMINATING COMMITTEE** would like to encourage all members of the congregation to consider offering their time and talent to a Committee at NMUC. This year, the Christian Development committee; Outreach Committee; and Social Committee need helpers. If you'd like to offer and are not sure in which area, let us know and we'll find a position for you. Please contact Dave Ward at 455-8208 or e-mail davidward45@gmail.com

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Fredericton Community Kitchen – On the 4th Saturday of each month NMUC sends 3 or 4 people to the **Fredericton Community Kitchen**. From 8:30 am to approx. 1 pm, we prepare and serve lunch for the clients. Our schedule for 2017 is nearly complete; except for vacancies in April (1person), May (3people), Nov (1person).

GREEN TIP – Received things for Christmas that you cannot use? **RE-GIFT!** We all have special days coming up, eg. birthdays, anniversaries, Valentine's Day. To make the gift more personal, add your own touch by writing a favourite quote, poem, or recipe.

GREENER VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE - For the month of **February**, we will focus on **canned soups**. Please note that condiments always come in handy as well. (**Also note** that egg cartons are no longer needed.)

STORM NOTICE - In the event that Church service is cancelled due to inclement weather, you will be informed in the various manners, **but not before 8:30 am.**

1. **E-mail notification** (if you have e-mail, this is the most direct method);
2. **Radio stations: CBC, JOY-FM, CAPITAL;**
3. **Web-site: [Http://www.newmarylandunited.ca/](http://www.newmarylandunited.ca/)** it will be on the scrolling feeder on the Home Page;
4. **Answering machine on the church telephone (459-3313).**
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