

# NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 11 am  
PENTECOST!

Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this holy morning! We hope you feel at home in our midst. Grace and peace to you all!

## Thought for Meditation:

*It is not light that we need, but fire;*

*it is not the gentle shower, but thunder.*

*We need the storm, the whirlwind, and the earthquake.*

Frederick Douglass

## THE GATHERING

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

### \*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

### \*Introit: Standing On The Promises of God

Standing on the promises I cannot fall.

Listening every moment to the Spirit's call.

Resting in my Saviour as my all in all,

Standing on the promises of God.

Standing, standing, standing on the promises  
of God my Saviour.

Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God!

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord of Pentecost be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let us worship the Lord together!

### \*HYMN#376 VU Spirit of The Living God

## **OPENING PRAYER:**

**We gather, O God, praying that you will be the Gospel wind blowing through this time of worship; the flame of Wisdom igniting our minds; and the Spirit of Joy connecting us all into a family made one in Christ! And now we pray in the Way of Jesus, 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.**

**CHILDREN'S HYMN #156 MV Dance With The Spirit**  
**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**  
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## **T H E W O R D O F G O D**

**THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 2:1-20**

**ANTHEM: *Come, O Holy Spirit***

**SERMON: *Pentecost: Birthing Voices of Power***

**\*HYMN#660 VU How Firm A Foundation**

## **T H E R E S P O N S E**

**THE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION**

## **OFFERING & OFFERTORY: (#191 MV x 2)**

**What can I do? What can I bring?  
What can I say? What can I sing?  
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.  
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.**

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**\*HYMN #142 MV Oh A Song Must Rise**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\* CHORAL BLESSING: Go Now In Peace**

**Besig/Price**

**Go now in peace, never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know God will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others, so all the world can see,  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.  
A-a-men. A-a-men. A-a-a-men.**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**E-Mail: [nmuc@nb.aibn.com](mailto:nmuc@nb.aibn.com)**

**Website: [www.newmarylandunited.ca](http://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. Kelly Burke at 470-9634.*

**Greeter This Week: Keith Ball**

**Trustees On Duty (May): Jim Merrill and Ann Urquhart**

## **LOOKING AHEAD:**

**Thur., May 24<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 pm - Church Property Clean-up (see below)**

**Tue., May 29<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm - Official Board Meeting**

**Sun., June 3<sup>rd</sup> - 11:00 am - Worship Service**

**Sun., June 10<sup>th</sup> - 11:00 am - Worship Service – Sacrament of Baptism, Confirmation, Transfer of Membership, Sunday School Closing & Sundae Sunday**

**Wed., June 13<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 pm - UCW – June outing (see below)**

**Sun., June 17<sup>th</sup> - 11:00 am - Worship Service – Dad & Grad Sunday**

**Mon., June 18<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 pm - Men's Club – June outing (see below)**

**CHURCH PROPERTY CLEAN-UP** – Please be advised that the Men's Club is organizing a Church Property clean-up on **Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.** All are welcome to help out. Please bring your own rake!

All women of our congregation would be very welcome to join our **U.C.W.** members for supper on **Wed., June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.** at Frank's Finer Diner on Two Nations Crossing (across from the north side Canadian Tire and WalMart). To be added to our reservation list, call Dorothy at 457-9795.

The **Men's Club** have planned their year-end supper for **Monday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** at Wetmore's. All men of the congregation are welcome. Call Dave Ward at **455-8208** so as reservations can be made.

**GRADUATES** - On **Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup>**, we will be celebrating graduation for members of our New Maryland United Church family. If you have any family member graduating this year, please give Lorna the details of who is graduating and from where.

### **Attention Official Board Members**

Our Official Board is made up of all members of Session and Committee of Stewards in addition to chairs (or alternates) of all other church committees. It is important that all Board members attend meetings. Your input and participation is important!

Your copy of the **Spring Fundraiser Letter** is available for pick up in the main foyer.

**GREEN TIP:** A microfiber cloth is good for cleaning a flat screen TV. Do not wipe in circles or back and forth. Instead, go from left to right, lift the cloth and go from left to right again.

The **May edition** of “*The Observer*” has arrived and is available to borrow from the library area.

**GREENER VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE** - For the month of **May**, we will focus on **pasta or pasta sauces**. However, as always, everything is deeply appreciated. We are always looking for plastic grocery bags as well as we use them for packing our food hampers.

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

### **NASHWAAKSIS UNITED CHURCH - "AMAZING GRACE"**

Please join us on **Sunday, May 27th**, at **7 pm**, for an evening of music as we explore and celebrate the amazing grace of God through song. A free-will offering will be collected, and refreshments will be served following the event.

**FOREST HILL UNITED CHURCH** is celebrating their **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** with a “**Hymn Sing & Concert**” on **May 27<sup>th</sup>** at **7 pm**. See our bulletin board for further details.

**FOREST HILL UNITED CHURCH** has an 8-wk position open for a student this spring/summer. The job will involve a variety of different projects, including working with our Affirm Committee to further our LGBTQ+ ministry. For more details please contact FHUC office at [foresth.office@bellaliant.com](mailto:foresth.office@bellaliant.com).

# **NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH OUTREACH COMMITTEE CLOTHING DRIVE**

It's that time of year again, we invite you to clean out your closets and join us in supporting the Association for Community Living. We will be accepting donations of gently used, clean clothing and footwear for the entire month of May.

Donations may be dropped off at the church during the week or on Sundays. We can also arrange pick-ups for those that are not able to drop off items themselves.

The New Brunswick Association For Community Living (NBACL) is a provincial non-profit organization that works on behalf of children and adults with intellectual disabilities. They work to ensure that people with intellectual disabilities, with the support of their families, have the option to choose the supports they need to live meaningful lives and participate in their communities as valued and contributing members. Donating clothing is one way the Association raises funds to support their initiatives.