

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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April 7th, 2019 11 am
Companions On The Lenten Way: Lent V: Peter

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:

Everything will be okay in the end. If things aren't okay, it's not the end.
John Lennon

THE GATHERING

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

*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE LENTEN CANDLES

*Introit: Lord, Listen To Your Children Praying, #400 VU

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace!

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

Leader: Let us worship the Lord together!

*HYMN # 664 VU What A Friend We Have In Jesus

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: Our Lenten journey continues, O God. Our Forty Days - days of dimming light, and deeper attention;

People: Days of stories that lead us to Jerusalem.

Leader: Days of Nicodemus and Zacchaeus, Judas and Dismas, and today....Peter.

People: Like us all, they are battered and glorious; Ordinary and brave; Frightened and fascinating.

Leader: *Simul Justus et Peccator*: at the same time: Saint and sinner...like us all.

People: And so we gather together:

Leader: For this is the House for us ALL. And now as Jesus taught his companions, 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.

CHILDREN'S HYMN: #595 VU We Are Pilgrims, v. 3

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN: Lenten Story Boxes

CHILDREN'S HYMN: #595 VU We Are Pilgrims, v. 5

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

THE GOSPEL LESSONS: selected stories of Peter

ANTHEM: *Walk With Me*

John Rice /John Fluker arr.

SERMON:*On Peter And His Penchant For Putting His Foot in His Mouth*

***HYMN #561 VU Take Up Your Cross**

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THE RESPONSE

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY: As We Journey Together (Kingsbury/Bowman
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**As we journey together on the path of faith,
May our hearts be attentive to Christ's plan,
And may we be responsive to our broken world,
Off'ring freely the talents that we can.
May all we bring, be blessed and shared
With those who need a helping hand.
May all we bring, be blessed and shared
creating justice through the land.**

THE LENTEN PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

[Choir: Together We Pray]

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy upon us.

**Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your steadfast love,
according to your abundant mercies.**

For what we have done that breaks your heart, forgive us.

**For what we have failed to do, that breaks your heart,
forgive us.**

And remember us Jesus, in our fullness.

Remember us, when you come into your Kingdom.

[Choir: Together We Pray]

THE ASSURANCE OF GRACE:

A broken and contrite heart our God will not ignore. For God is gracious and merciful, and abounding in steadfast love. There is nothing – *nothing*, that can separate us from this love.

Thanks be to God! Amen!

[Choir: Let it be so. Let it be so.]

***HYMN # 121 VU Tree Of Life And Awesome Mystery**

***THE LITANY OF DIMINISHING LIGHT**

Leader: Our Lenten journey deepens, and the light continues to fade....

[The fifth purple candle is snuffed]

Leader: In this dim light, we recall Peter's brokenness and fear and doubt.

People: But there is light enough to see Jesus, and how he made a way though it all for Peter...

Leader: And for us. Amen, and amen.

***CHORAL BLESSING: Stay With Us Through The Night (#182 VU, v.1)**

Stay with us through the night

Stay with us through the pain.

Stay with us, blessed stranger,

Till the morning breaks again.

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.

Trustees On Duty (Apr): David Ward and Ann Urquhart

Tellers On Duty: Lloyd Penney and Ann Urquhart

Sunday School Teachers: Krista and Jessica Tupling

LOOKING AHEAD:

Mon., Apr. 8th - 12:00 noon - Bible Study (see over)

Wed., Apr. 10th - 7:00 pm - U.C.W. (see over)

Sun., Apr. 14th - 11:00 am - Worship - Palm Sunday

12:00 noon – After Church Luncheon (see over)

Mon., Apr. 15th - 8:00 am - Outreach goes to Christ Church Cathedral
Thur., Apr. 18th - 6:00 pm - Maundy Thursday Potluck Supper and
S Service + Holy Communion
Fri., Apr. 19th - 10:00 am – Good Friday Service
Sun., Apr. 21st - 9:30 am - Continental Breakfast
11:00 am - Easter Sunday Service

Bible Study: Good Endings!

Monday, April 8 at 12:00 noon - 100 Berkley Dr. The study Good Endings is...ending! But we shall go out with a bang! Or at least lunch! So folks should arrive for **noon** this week. Bring only yourselves and your appetite. Over the meal we shall finish up our study and conversation.

EASTER PLANTS - The Worship Committee is taking orders for Easter tulips, daffodils, and hydrangea. The purpose of this project is threefold: to beautify our sanctuary on Easter Sunday; can be placed as memorials; or to take home or give to a friend or shut-in after the service. Cost is as follows: tulips and daffodils are \$10 each and hydrangea is \$19. To order your Easter flowers, contact Loraine Ward at 455-8208. **Last day to order is April 7th.**

U.C.W. will meet on **Wednesday, April 10th at 7 pm** in the home of Sue Morrison, 139 Milky Way Drive in Hanwell. All women of our congregation are very welcome.

“After-Church-Luncheon”- On **Sunday, April 14th**, the Sunday school will be having a crock-pot luncheon after church. Please plan to stay and enjoy a hot bowl of soup, chili, etc. with tea/coffee/juice and a dessert. Donations will be accepted and will go towards the Mission & Service.

VESEY’S SEEDS FUNDRAISER - For all you gardeners or friends of gardeners. We have flower seeds and bulbs, vegetable seeds, microwave/freezer containers, “Summer Savoury” Recipe Books, beautiful Spring wrapping paper – All in our Veseys Seeds Catalogue. Please pick up a catalogue for you and your friends to peruse and help us raise money for New Maryland United. We receive 50% of all sales. Catalogues will be **5.**

available outside Lorna's office. If you have any questions call Judy (459-1332) **Orders must be in by April 14th.**

GREENER VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE –

For the month of **April**, we will focus on **canned tomatoes**. 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.

YARD SALE – The **Men's Club** would like to let the congregation know that they are planning a **Yard Sale** on **Saturday, May 4th**. We encourage you to start saving your items you no longer need and would like to get rid of (**excluding electronics and clothing**). *Remember that items you no longer need are welcomed by others!* Further information will be available soon.