

NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

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SUMMER WORSHIP

Welcome and thank you for joining in our worship this holy 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 peace and friendship with its people.

Thought for Meditation:

What will you do with your one wild and precious life?

Mary Oliver

THE GATHERING

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

*WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

*Introit: Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness (#375 VU, refrain)

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow thro' the wilderness,
calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness,
Wind, wind on the sea.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: May the Joy of Christ be with you!

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us worship the Lord together!

*HYMN #409 VU Morning Has Broken

OPENING PRAYER:

Leader: We gather together in this place, O God, because it is what a people of faith do, isn't it?

People: **When we are together, we remember who we are, better than when we are alone.**

Leader: This is where we come to hear, in a way we do nowhere else, O God, that we are loved beyond measure,

People: **That we are, with all of our failings, still your Beloved Community,**

Leader: And that we become, O God – for one another, and for the world – a sign of your holy presence. And so together, let us pray as Jesus taught, 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.

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

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Amos 7: 7-17

SERMON: *The Minor Ways*

***HYMN#27 MV Creator God**

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING & OFFERTORY: Spirit, Open My Heart (#79 MV ref/v.2/ref)

**Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving,
Spirit, open my heart.**

**Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you
glory.**

**Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving,
Spirit, open my heart.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN #567 VU Will You Come And Follow Me**

***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 ev'ry 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.

GREETER TODAY: Sharon Noel

*The bulletin today is dedicated in loving memory of Paul Lister
from his friend Bill Elderkin.*