NEW MARYLAND UNITED CHURCH
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October 13th, 2024 11 am
THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

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:

To be made whole
by being not a witness,
but witnessed. Ada Limón, from "Sanctuary"

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: <u>Come Touch Our Hearts</u> (#12 MV, v.4)**

Come touch us in the moments we are fragile,
And in our weakness your great strength reveal;
That we may rise to follow and to serve,
Steady now our nerve,
Come touch and bless our wills.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: May the joy of Christ be with you!
People: And also with you!
Leader: Let us worship together!

*HYMN #220 VU Praise To The Lord

OPENING PRAYER ENDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: As our songs rise up to you, Holy One,
People: so too does our thanksgiving.
Leader: So meet us in this place.
People: Fill us with your joy, your grace, and your extravagant hope.
Leader: And hear us as we pray, in the Way of our Brother Jesus, saying:
Gracious Spirit,
Who loves us like a mother,
Whose realm is blooming among us now, and within.
We pray that compassion guide us in every action.
Give us what we need for each day,
And help us to be satisfied with the miracle of that alone.
Forgiver, whose embrace brings us to wholeness without asking,
May we reconcile ourselves to one another in humility.
And may we cancel the crushing debts that imprison our neighbours,
So that communities of joy and health may flourish.
May we neither profit from nor ignore evil,
But ever work to thwart it with non-violence,
As we co-create the realm of peace in this world,
Now and each day. Amen. [Lord's Prayer, Zimbabwe]

CHILDREN'S HYMN: *He's Got The Whole World* (trad. Spiritual)

He's got the whole world, in his hands,
He's got the whole world, in his hands,
He's got the whole world, in his hands,
He's got the whole world in his hands!

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

CHILDREN'S HYMN:

He's got you and me brother, in his hands,
He's got you and me sister, in his hands,
He's got everybody here, in his hands,
He's got the whole world in his hands!

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

THE RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 126, VU p.850, Refrain 2

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 17: 11-19

ANTHEM: *O Give Thanks!* **Mary Kay Beall**

SERMON: *The Big Deal Of Being Seen*

***HYMN# 42 MV Praise God For This Holy Ground**

T H E R E S P O N S E

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

OFFERING & OFFERTORY: <u>For The Gift Of Creation</u> (#538 VU)

For the gift of creation, the gift of your love,
And the gift of the Spirit by which we live,
We thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN #232 VU Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You**

***BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BLESSING: *My Peace ***Keith Rutledge***

My peace I give unto you;
It's a peace that the world cannot give.
It's a peace that the world cannot understand;
Peace to know, peace to live,
My peace I give unto you.

The bulletin this week is dedicated in loving memory of Scott Parlee by Allen Parlee, Shawn, Tara, Tyler and Brooklyn.

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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: Florence and Winston Quigley
Teller This Week: Dorothy Webster & Myrna Belyea-Tracy
Trustee on Duty (Oct): Jim Merrill

LOOKING AHEAD:
Sun., Oct. 20th - 11:00 am - Worship Service - Salmon Supper Day
Tue & Wed – Nov. 5 & 6th - Universal Portrait Studios (see below)

Men's Club Salmon Supper Take-Out Dinner - The Men's Club is hosting a BBQ Salmon Take-Out Dinner at the New Maryland Centre on **Sunday, October 20th**. Our goal is 300 meals this year. Tickets are $20. Tickets are now available for purchase. We are in search of Lady Ashburnham/mustard pickles and homemade apple crisp donations. We will also be looking for workers for the supper. If you are able to help with this, please contact David Ward at **(506)455-8208**. Thank you in advance.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Universal Portrait Studios will be here **Nov. 5th and 6th** to take family/individual photos for our church directory. Please come out and be part of this! It is so helpful to put a name to a face, isn't it? There is NO charge for this. You are however, able to purchase some of your photos if you like, for Christmas presents, etc! More info to come. Thank you to Sheila Power and Loraine Ward who are taking the lead on this project!

It's Back!

Our NMUC Online Auction Fundraiser is planned for the week of Saturday November 23rd, opening at 9:00am AST and closing Saturday November 30th, at 9:00pm AST.

We need YOUR help to ensure a successful Auction!

How can I help? **Please consider items/ services you can donate for auction. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the entry. Please note item(s) you wish to donate. Some ideas for Auction items include *household decorative items, Christmas crafts, knitting, quilting, homemade pickles, baking, books, gift cards, gift certificates, services, one night stay at hotel, movie night basket, spa basket, etc. etc. Auction items must be new or like new (other than antiques). Consider items that would be great Christmas gifts!***

Items are to be delivered to the Church as soon as you have them ready, with a firm deadline of Sunday November 17th, so the information for each item can be entered into the *Auction32* platform.

How can I participate? **We are looking forward to lots of active bidding when the auction opens November 23rd! Share news of our upcoming Auction with family and friends.**

For questions, please contact Sheila Power at spower1511@gmail.com or Myrna Belyea-Tracy at myrna.belyea16@gmail.com .

Watch for more updates coming soon!

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