

**TOPSAIL UNITED CHURCH**  
**“The Church by the Side of the Road”**  
**Fully Accessible; Scent-Free Environment**  
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**JUNE 5, 2022**  
**PENTECOST SUNDAY**  
**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND SHARING TIME**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY**

**LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**INVOCATION OF THE SPIRIT:**

*(incorporating #376 Spirit of the Living God)*

Creator God, who came to us as Jesus the Christ and who fills us with the Holy Spirit, breathe in us anew this day.

*Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.*

*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*

*Melt me, mould, fill me, use me.*

*Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!*

Living God, as we celebrate the birthing of the church on this Pentecost Sunday, we remember the faithful ministry of our forebears who toiled to establish our congregation as a beacon of hope in this community. Breathe your Spirit in us as we seek to keep their legacy of faith alive in this new day and age.

*Spirit of the Living God, move among us all,*

*Make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:*

*humble, caring, self-less, sharing.*

*Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!*

Gracious God, empower us as a congregation to speak boldly and to act courageously on the journey of ministry that lies before us, affirming our heritage and proclaiming our hope. Breathe your Spirit in us as we strive to bring the gospel alive in this new day and age.

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*Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE**

In a world dry and thirsty Living Water flows;

**In a world fainting and breathless Divine Wind blows;  
In a world cold and dark, the Spirit's Flame glows;  
Spirit has always been here, and we open our awareness to perceive her and receive her.  
The Holy Spirit, Holy Wisdom is here!  
We give thanks and celebrate!**

**ACT OF PRAISE: #958 Halle, Halle, Halle**

**THE PEACE:**

May the peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

### **WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION: (unison)**

**Living God, eternal Spirit, let your energy, which fired-up those first disciples fall on us.  
Holy God of justice, Living Spirit of peace, may we burn with love for you, for each other  
and for all creation, as these words are spoken and heard. Amen.**

**RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 104, VU#826 (refrain 2)**

**HISTORIC READING: Acts 2:1-21**

### **REFLECTION**

### **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Draw the Circle Wide**

**LITANY FOR PENTECOST**

The coming of the Spirit transforms the Christian community.

**Locked doors are opened.**

Fear is replaced by courage.

**Peace is proclaimed.**

The power to forgive sins is present.

**Those who were afraid now speak up boldly.**

Thousands hear the message in their own language.

**The coming of the Spirit is reflected in our social values.**

In a world of racism and xenophobia and fear of immigrants, the Spirit speaks to people of every nation under heaven.

**In a world of fear and doubt and confusion, the Spirit inspires people to open the doors and speak out especially those who are poor or in need.**

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In a world with war, violence and terrorism, the Spirit proclaims a message of peace and reconciliation to all.

**In a world of economic problems, the Spirit reminds us that the things of the world are meant to be shared by all and are to be used for the common good.**

In a world where the environment is abused and overused, the Spirit calls to reform how we live and use the earth with care and love.

**In a world of ideology and prejudice, the Spirit calls us to think about things in a new way.**

The coming of the Spirit transforms the Christian community.

**As the Spirit transforms us, in turn helps us transform the world**

**SUNG OFFERTORY: #191 (MV) What Can I Do?**

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.

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION: (unison)**

**Be known to us, O God, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.**

## **WE CELEBRATE AT THE TABLE**

### **INVITATION**

**HYMN: "O God of Vision" (Tune #220)**

O God of vision, far greater than all human scheming,  
gather us now in your presence, refreshing, redeeming.  
Show us anew life in your breathtaking view,  
lovely beyond all our dreaming.

Pour out your Spirit on all now assembled before you.  
May our diversity here be a means to adore you.  
Women and men, young, old, and youthful again,  
make us as one, we implore you.

Grateful, we come now by  
Christ's invitation clear spoken.  
We seek the nourishment found in fruit crushed  
and bread broken,  
Christ for us all! Come, let us answer the call,  
offering our lives as the token.

### **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:**

May the God of wind and flame be with you.

**And also with you.**

Throw open the shutters of your hearts, so God may enter.

**We offer our hearts so God's joy might dance over our lives.**

Take deep breaths and sing your praises to our God.

**We join all people and languages in praising the One who feeds us this day.**

We join with all creation... our praise to you:

**Holy, holy, holy are you, God of wind and flame.**

**All creation dances in the Spirit's arms this day.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is the One who is anointed by the Spirit.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

In the soft, warm breath... faith which is a mystery:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Here where... Holy in One.

**Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

### **BREAKING THE BREAD AND FILLING THE CUP**

### **SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP**

#### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: (unison)**

**Thank you, Divine Spirit, for being amongst us as we have shared in this holy meal of remembrance. May the love we have found here be reflected in our living; may your power strengthen us and send us out to be peacemakers and loving servants of Christ in the world.**

#### **HYMN: #375 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness**

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

**You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,  
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;  
and over the eons you called to each thing;  
wake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.**

**R**

**You swept thro' the desert, you stung with the sand,  
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;  
and when they were blinded with their idols and lies,  
then you spoke thro' your prophets to open their eyes.**

**R**

**You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,  
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;  
and down in the city you called once again,  
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.**

**R**

**You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,**

From the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams,  
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes,  
with bold new decisions your people arise.

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## **BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH**

**ROYAL ANTHEM:** God Save the Queen

## **POSTLUDE**

## **IN MEMORIAM**

To the Glory of God, Today's Bulletin is a gift given  
In loving memory of **Beatrice (Bea) Smith** of Arnold's Cove, sister of Mildred Coles, who  
passed away on May 25, 2022.

## **LIFE AND WORK OF OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH**

### **At Our Church This Week:**

**(CH) Church Hall/ (BR) Board Room/ (S) Sanctuary**

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|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Monday, June 6    | T'ai Chi             | 10:00am (CH)      |
| Tuesday, June 7   | Brownies             | 6:00pm (CH)       |
|                   | Coastal Sounds       | 7:15pm (S)        |
| Wednesday, June 8 | Coffee Time          | 10:00am (CH)      |
|                   | CBSYC Concert        | 7:00pm (S)        |
| Thursday, June 9  | Family Resource Ctr  | 9:30(CH)          |
|                   | <b>Choir</b>         | <b>7:30pm (S)</b> |
|                   | Winner's in Sobriety | 8:00p(CH)         |
| Friday, June 10   | T'ai Chi             | 9:00am (CH)       |

## **LOBSTER COLD PLATE TAKE OUT**

The Fundraising Committee will be hosting a Lobster Cold Plate Take out on Friday June 17, pick up from 4 to 6 pm. Meal will consist of Lobster, a variety of Salads, Roll, and Dessert. Cost will be \$ 40. Tickets may be purchased from the Office in Advance by calling 834-4567. No Ticket Sales at the Door. Mask wearing is required.

## **FIRE ON THE BEACH**

To recognize National Indigenous Peoples Day and the Summer Solstice. TUC will be hosting a sunset fire at Topsail Beach. More details to follow.

## **DONATE YOUR RECYCLING & SUPPORT OUR YOUTH**

Topsail United Church has an account at the CBS recycling depot. All proceeds go to our youth programs. Just label your bags "TUC 834-4567" and drop them off! Labels are available at the back of the church. Thank you for your support!

### **CBS COMMUNITY YOUTH CHOIR CONCERT**

CBS Community Youth Choir will be holding its first ever in person Spring Concert at Topsail United Church on June 8th @ 7pm. Tickets are \$10 (Children under 12 are free) For tickets email: [info.cbssyc@gmail.com](mailto:info.cbssyc@gmail.com) or 744-2080 for more info. Foodbank items graciously accepted.

### **OPTIONS FOR GIVING “VIRTUALLY”**

In light of the continuing uncertainty created by the COVID pandemic, many in our congregation may prefer “virtual” means to continue to support the work of our church financially. Please consider the following options:

### **PRE-AUTHORIZED REMITTANCE (PAR)**

During these times, we would encourage members of the congregation to consider making monthly givings through PAR. Contact the office at 834-4567 or [office@topsailunited.ca](mailto:office@topsailunited.ca) to set up your pre authorized givings. It is quick, easy and worry free!

### **THROUGH E-TRANSFER**

We are set up to receive your givings via electronic funds transfer using the church email address above.

### **COCHRANE STREET UNITED CHURCH PLANT SALE**

Cochrane Street is having a plant sale on Saturday June 11 from 11am to 2pm at 81 Cochrane Street. There will also be a BBQ – hotdogs and a drink for \$5. Questions can be directed to the church office at 722-3023 or [info@cochranestreetuc.com](mailto:info@cochranestreetuc.com)

If you or someone you know, would like to hear from Reverend Kathy, please contact the church office - Telephone: 834-4567 or 771-9779 (cell) Email: [kathy.brett101@gmail.com](mailto:kathy.brett101@gmail.com)