

TOPSAIL UNITED CHURCH
"The Church by the Side of the Road"
Fully Accessible; Scent-Free Environment
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MAY 22, 2022
WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

INTROIT:

WELCOME AND SHARING TIME

CALL TO WORSHIP:

In this time of worship, let the colours of God's love come alive for us.
The blue of the lakes and seas, refreshing us.
The brown of the earth, grounding us.
The orange of a blazing sunrise, uplifting us.

In worship, we affirm God's nurturing love.

The pink of a gentle sunset, comforting us.
The green of the trees and forests, sheltering us.
The black of night, bringing peace and rest.

In worship, we affirm God's caring love.

The yellow of inspiration, encouraging us.
The red of embracing life, energizing us.
The purple of imagination, emboldening us.

**In worship, we proclaim God's empowering love, a love that calls us to
care for all of creation.**

Gill Le Fevre, Walton Memorial U.C., Oakville On.

HYMN: #296 This is God's Wondrous World

This is God's wondrous world and to my listening ears
All nature sings and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is God's wondrous world, I rest me in the thought

Of rocks and tress, of skies and seas, God's hand the wonders wrought.

This is God's wondrous world, the birds their carols raise
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.
This is God's wondrous world, God shines in all that's fair
In the rustling grass or mountain pass, God's voice speaks everywhere.

This is God's wondrous world, O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is God's wondrous world, why should my heart be sad?
Let voices sing, let the heavens ring, God reigns, let earth be glad!

OPENING PRAYER:

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

ACT OF PRAISE: Halle, Halle, Halle

THE PEACE:

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

THEME CONVERSATION

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION: #79 (MV) Spirit Open My Heart

**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**

God, replace my stony heart
with a heart that's kind and tender.

All my coldness and fear
to your grace I now surrender. R

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. R
May I weep with those who weep,
share the joy of sister, brother.
In the welcome of Christ,
may we welcome one another. R

HISTORIC READING: Acts 16:9-15

RESPONSIVE PSALM: Psalm 67, VU#786

Let the peoples praise you, God, Let the nations shout their joy.

Be gracious unto us, O God, and bless us;
and let the light of your face shine upon us,
that your ways may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.
Let the nations be glad, and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples righteously
and guide the nations of the earth.
The earth has yielded its harvest,
and you, our God, have blessed us.
Your blessing, O God, be upin us.
may all the ends of the earth revere you. R

GOSPEL READING: John 14:23-29

REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

MINUTE FOR MISSION

SUNG OFFERTORY: (Tune #232)

*Joyful, joyful, Lord we bring you gifts that you can use today.
Take them, bless them, may your kingdom spread to all the world we pray.
We are here our time, our talents, we would dedicate as well.
May we show Christ's love within us, by our lives, our faith to tell.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION: (unison)

God, our Creator, through your love you have given us gifts to share.
Accept our offerings as an expression of our deep gratitude for your goodness; and for our concern for those in need including our planet Earth.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: #337 Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!

O what a foretaste of glory divine!

Heir of salvation, purchase of God,

Born of the Spirit, washed in Christ's blood. **R**

This is my story, this is my song

Praising my Saviour all the day long

This is my story, this is my song

Praising my Saviour all the day long **R**

Perfect submission, perfect delight!

Visions of rapture now burst on my sight.

Angels descending, bring from above

Echoes of mercy, whispers of love. **R**

Perfect submission, all is at rest,

I in my Saviour am happy blessed;

Watching and waiting, looking above,

Filled with God's goodness, lost in Christ's love. **R**

BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

To the Glory of God, Today's Bulletin is a gift given

With love and thanksgiving for the life of *Steward Palmer* from Larry, Lynn, Verda and Ruth

LIFE AND WORK OF OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

At Our Church This Week:

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

Monday, May 23, 2022	Holiday (Office Closed)	
Tuesday, May 24, 2022	Brownies	6:00pm (CH)
	Coastal Sounds	7:15pm (S)
Wednesday, May 25, 2022	Coffee Time	10:00am (CH)
	Courage/Inspiration	6:00pm (S)
	CBSYC	7:00pm (CH)
Thursday, May 26, 2022	Family Resource Ctr	All Day (CH)
	Men's Choir	7:30pm (S)
	Winner's in Sobriety	8:00pm (CH)
Friday, May 27, 2022	Flea Market "Drop off"	10-5pm (CH)
Saturday, May 28, 2022	Flea Market	9:30-2pm (CH)
Sunday, May 29, 2022	Aurora/Coastal Concert	3-5:00pm (S)

Upcoming Events:

SPRING FLEA MARKET

Saturday May 28th 9:30am - 2pm. Main drop off Friday, May 27th 10:00am - 5pm. Do not just leave items in the church without notice. Check with Mildred 781 - 2092 or Gillian 781 - 1562, to make other

arrangements. We may not be able to take everything that you want to donate. No toys, clothes, shoes, magazines or electronics, please.

COASTAL SOUNDS/AURORA CONCERT

Coast Sounds Choir Assoc. presents Earth Song Spring Concert with Music by Aurora Woman's Choir and Coastal Sounds Community Choir on Sunday May 29th from 3-5pm at TUC with Violinist Rosemary Lawton. Donations for the Community Food Bank greatly appreciated, Door Prizes from Newfoundland Chocolate Company, Home Hardware in Manuels and Jumping Bean Coffee. Tickets \$20 available by visiting Eventbrite.

LOBSTER/STEAK NIGHT

The Fundraising Committee will be hosting a Lobster/Steak eat in Meal on Saturday, June 4th at 6:30 pm, a meal of Lobster or Steak for \$45 per person or a Combo Meal for \$70, with a variety of Salads, Rolls. Desserts and after dinner entertainment. Tickets will be available at the Office by calling 834-4567. Mask wearing is required.

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

CBS COMMUNITY YOUTH CHOIR SPRING CONCERT

CBS Community Youth Choir will be holding its first ever in person Spring Concert at Topsail United Church on June 1st @ 7pm. Tickets are \$10 (Children under 12 are free) For tickets email: info.cbsyc@gmail.com or 744-2080 for more info. Foodbank items graciously accepted through Church.

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!

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. It is an easy and contact free way to support your church. Envelopes are still available for special occasions and gifts.

**Contact the office at 834-4567 or 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.

**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**