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WORLD WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY
WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND SHARING TIME

INTROIT: #288 Great is Thy Faithfulness (vs 1& 2)

Great is thy faithfulness, God our Creator; There is no shadow of turning with thee; Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning, new mercies I see; All I have needed thy hand hath provided Great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!

CALL TO WORSHIP

We come together in faith, the faith of God, the faith of the generations, and our faith.

Regardless of how much faith we feel we that we have, Jesus assures us that we are welcome.

Today in faith let us join with followers of Jesus around the world, assured that he welcomes us to join in the holy story and the sacred table with an amazing love.

HYMN: #402 We Are One

We are one as we come, as we come, joyful to be here, in the praise on our lips there's a sense that God is near. We are one as we sing, as we seek, we are found; and we come needful of God's grace as we meet, together in this place.

We are one as we share, as we share brokenness and fear, in the touch of a hand there's a sense that God is here. We are one as we care, as we heal, we are healed; and we share warmth in God's embrace as we pray together in this place.

We are one as we feast, as we feast, peace becomes the sign; in the bread and the wine there's a sense of love divine.
We are one as we come, as we feed, we are fed; and we feel God's refreshing grace as we meet at table in this place.

We are one as we hear, as we hear, heart and hand unite; in the word we receive there's a sense that God is light. We are one as we leave, as we love, we are loved; and we seek justice in God's ways as we move together from this place.

OPENING PRAYER ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

ACT OF PRAISE: #288 Great is Thy Faithfulness (vs 3&R)

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,

Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,

Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow

Wondrous the portion thy blessings provide.

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed thy hand hath provided Great is thy faithfulness ever to me.

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)

O God, may we feel in our hearts that you desire us to live in freedom and in communion with each other. Help us to hear afresh of your faithfulness and may your words of liberty and friendship and may they inspire our relationship with you and our brothers and sisters. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 137, VU#859

Refrain: By the rivers of Babylon, there we wept.

By the rivers of Babylon we sat down and wept When we remembered Zion

> There on the willows we hung our harps When our captors asked us for songs

Our tormentors called for entertainment, saying,

Sing us one of the songs of Zion! R

How could we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?

If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my hands wither! Let my tongue stick to the roof of my mouth If I do not remember you,

If I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 17:5-10

REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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MINISTRY OF MUSIC: For All Who are Born

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS

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)

Generous God, as bread and cup are shared across the world today, we bring our gifts, of money, time, and love, trusting that you will bless them. May these gifts be used to feed the hungry, to welcome the stranger, and to cultivate hope where despair has taken root. As we dedicate these gifts, we also dedicate ourselves, our hands to serve, our voices to speak the truth, and our hearts to your love. Take what we give God, use it for a world where all our children are free and fed. Amen

WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

HYMN: #460 All Who Hunger

All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming.
Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered

in communion's love have stood. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread. Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led. Blest are those who from this table live their lives in gratitude. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is good to give God thanks and praise.

We give you thanks... your faithful people everywhere.

#203 (MV)

O holy, holy, holy God,
O God of time and space.
All earth and sea and sky above
Bear witness to your grace.
Hosanna in the highest heav'n,
Creation sings your praise.
And blessed is the One who comes
And bears your name always!

We give you thanks... the mystery of faith: #204(MV)

Sing Christ has died and Christ is risen,

Christ will come again! Sing Christ has died and Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

We give you thanks... now and forever... #205(MV)

Amen, amen O Holy One! Hosanna and Amen! Amen, amen O Holy One! Hosanna and Amen!

LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD AND FILLING THE CUP

Jesus, who called the first disciples, calls us now in this bread.

Thanks be to God.

Jesus, whose Spirit sustains the church for service, sustains us now in this cup.

Thanks be to God.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: (unison)

We give thanks that we have known welcome and family at your table, and that we have been strengthened and renewed by your Spirit for the sake of the world. Send us out with joy to proclaim the good news of Christ and the deliverance he brings, to our brothers and sisters near and far. Amen.

HYMN: #635 All the Way My Saviour Leads Me

All the way my Saviour leads me, what have I to ask beside? Can I doubt his tender mercy who through life has been my guide? Heavenly peace, divinest comfort, here by faith in him to dwell For I know whate'er befall me, Jesus doest all things well.

All the way my Saviour leads me, cheers each winding step I tread Gives me grace for every trial, feeds me with the living bread. Though my weary steps may falter and my soul athirst may be, Gushing from the rock before me, lo, a spring of joy I see!

All the way my Saviour leads me; O the fullness of his love. Perfect rest to me is granted in my Father's house above. When my spirit, clothes immortal, wings its flight from realms of day This my song through countless ages, "Jesus led me all the way!"

BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

LIFE AND WORK OF OUR COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Calendar of Events

Mon. Oct 6	Tai Chi	9:30am (CH)
	Coastal Kids	1:30-5:30pm
	Sparks	6:00pm (CH)
Tues. Oct 7	Tai Chi	10:00am (CH)
	Coastal Kids	1:30-5:30pm
	Embers & Guides	6:30pm (CH)
Wed. Oct 8	Coffee/Tea Bake Sale	10:00am (CH)
	Coastal Kids	1:30-5:30pm
	TUC Inspiration	7:00 pm (S)
	CBS Youth Choir	6:30 pm(CH)
Thurs. Oct 9	Coastal Kids	1:30-5:30pm
Fri. Oct 10	Tai Chi	9:30am (CH)
	Coastal Kids	1:30-5:30pm
Sat. Oct 11	Thanksgiving Breakfast	8:00-11:00am
Sun. Oct 12	Worship & Coffee	10:30am (S)
	Meditation & Yoga	2-3pm (CH)
	Aurora	7:00pm (S)
CH = Church Hall, BR = Boardroom, S = Sanctuary		

Thanksgiving: If you would like to drop items off to decorate the sanctuary for Thanksgiving. Please do so during office hours or Saturday after 3:30.

Blessing of the Animals: Today at 2:00pm you are welcomed to bring your pets to the church parking lot for a blessing service. You are welcome to bring along treats for your pets as we share together after the blessing. For more information, please contact Rev. Kathy.

Coffee/Tea and Bake Sale: We will be having a morning coffee/tea and bake sale on Wednesday, October 8th from 10 am to 12 noon. Cost will be \$7.00 at the door. All are welcome!

Thanksgiving Breakfast: The Men's Club will be having their annual Thanksgiving Breakfast on Saturday, October 11 from 8 – 11AM with usual great menu. Adults \$10, Children under 12, \$5. All are welcome.

Fall Flea Market: The annual fall flea market will take place on Saturday Oct. 18 from 9:30am to 1:00pm. Admission \$1. Main drop off on Friday Oct. 17 from 10am to 5pm. Please do not drop off items

before this time. Contact Gillian (781-1562) or Mildred (781-2092) for other arrangements. We cannot take electronics, child's car seats, cribs, playpens or small toys, clothing, shoes or magazines. The Mens' Club will also be selling moose burgers for \$5 each in the parking lot.

Annual Online Auction: We are excited to announce our 9th annual online auction on Monday, October 20th and ending Thursday, October 30th. We will use the same online platform as last year and Thanks again to Wayne Bartlett of Bartlett Auctions Inc.

If you wish to donate items, they must be NEW AND NOT USED. Items can be dropped off at the office no later than Friday, October 17th. This will allow time for our volunteers to arrange items and post them to the website before the start date. When

you drop off your donation, we will need the APPROXIMATE VALUE AND DONOR NAME. Baked goods and handcrafted items are greatly welcome.

Please reach out to any member of the auction committee, Brad Cole (709)682-2804, Willie Keats (709)682-1366, Gillian Corbet, Mildred Coles, Paul Alexander and Bob Woodman. Thank you and God Bless.

Coughlan College Trust Fund Scholarship:

The Trust objectives for this fund are to further and support the education and nurturing of members of The United Church of Canada in Newfoundland and Labrador. The establishment of the Coughlan College Trust Fund Scholarship is for awarding of grants to students who are enrolled in a degree program or a three-year diploma program at a post-secondary institution. Applications for this scholarship are now being accepted. The deadline for the application is October 15, 2025. Policy and full details are included in the online application. All information can be found on the Regional Council website here: https://ucceast.ca/55283-coughlan-college-scholarship-application