

MOUNTAIN VIEW UNITED CHURCH
85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3
Fifth Sunday of Easter - April 28, 2024

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Gathering Music

God is good, all the time... all the time, God is good.

Words of Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Song "Here I am to Worship"

Light of the world

You stepped down into darkness

Opened my eyes, let me see

Beauty that made this heart adore You

Hope of a life spent with You.

Here I am to worship

Here I am to bow down

Here I am to say that You're my God

You're altogether lovely

Altogether worthy

Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above,
Humbly You came to the earth, You created
all for love's sake, become poor.

**Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God**

**You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me
Here I am to worship**

And I'll never know how much it cost to see
My sin upon that cross.
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My sin upon that cross.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

As members of Christ's tree of life,
we are connected, in love, to God.
As members of Christ's tree of life,
we are connected, in love, to one another.
As members of God's tree of life,
we strengthen our connection through worship.

Hymn Come In, Come In and Sit Down VU#395

**Come in, come in and sit down,
you are a part of the family.**

**We are lost and we are found,
and we are a part of the family.**

- 1 You know the reason why you came,
yet no reason can explain;
so share in the laughter and cry in the pain,
for we are a part of the family. R**

- 2 God is with us in this place,
like a mother's warm embrace.
We're all forgiven by God's grace,
for we are a part of the family. R**

- 3 There's life to be shared in the bread and the wine;
we are the branches, Christ is the vine.
This is God's temple, it's not yours or mine,
but we are a part of the family. R**

- 4 There's rest for the weary and health for us all;
there's a yoke that is easy, and a burden that's small.
So come in and worship and answer the call,
for we are a part of the family. R**

Opening Prayer

Loving God, send your Spirit among us now. Bind us to you in love this day, that we may worship in unity and friendship. Bind us to you in love this hour, that we may be strengthened to bring abundant love to your world. In love and gratitude, we pray. Amen.

Children come forward during the signing of this song

Children's Gathering Song – Great and Mighty

Great and mighty is the Lord our God

Great and mighty is he,

Great and mighty is the Lord our God

Great and mighty is he,

Lift up your banner, let the anthems ring,

Praises to our King!

Great and mighty is the Lord our God

Great and mighty is he;

Ministry of Music

Prayer of Confession:

Speak truth to our hearts, O God. Speak love to our lives, that we may remain in your love and share your love joyously with others. Speak grace to our souls, that we may rest in your grace and forgive others as we have been forgiven. Speak mercy to our world, that all the world may know your love and find redemption in your grace. In hope and trust, we pray. Amen.

(Silence for private prayer)

Words of Assurance

God's promises are sure. The promises of forgiveness, grace, and love are true. In Christ's love and grace, we are forgiven and made new.

Scripture readings:

Acts 8:26-40 read by Allan Borden

John 15:1-8 read by Rev. Shaw

Message

Hymn I Love to Tell the Story

VU# 343

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Invitation to Share our Offering

***Offering Song MV#191**

**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.**

Offering Prayer

**Loving God, bless these gifts with love. Transform lives
with our ministries, that your people everywhere might
know your grace, abide in your love, and connect with
Christ, the vine of life. Amen.**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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

- 1 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**
- 2 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**
- 3 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**

**4 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. R**

Benediction

As God's children, go now to serve.

We go to serve in love.

Abiding in Christ, go with Christ to love.

We go with Christ's love to love one another.

Go to serve in love land peace.

Sung Benediction Go Now in Peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid,

God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.

Know God will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith and in love.

Postlude † † † † † † † † † † † † † † †

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Prayers and sympathy are extended to Linda & Ken Draper on the death of Linda's brother, John Brereton on April 21, 2024.

**Today: Covenanting Service 2:00 p.m. for
Rev. Jacob Shaw.**

Also today is Community Dinner, volunteers are needed for serving and at 4:15 p.m. for clean up.

Tuesday: Bible study 1:00 p.m. Parlour

May 11 - Craft & Baking Vendor Market will be held at the Mountain View, 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. There will be 27 tables with a great variety, something for everyone. Free admission and free parking across the street. Hope to see you there.

May 25th Fabric, Yarn & Craft Sale –Grandmothers 4 Grandmothers Moncton. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Shediac Multi-purpose Centre, 58 Rue Festival, Shediac NB.

May 4th- Mount Royal United Church Pancake Breakfast, 8-11:30 a.m. Real Maple Syrup, eggs, sausages, toast, juice, Tea/coffee. Cost \$10 per person or \$35 per family.

If you would like to have church envelopes please call the church office.

**Live stream and previous Services may be found at:
mountainviewunited.ca**