

MOUNTAIN VIEW UNITED CHURCH
85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3
Pentecost Sunday - May 19, 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"

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

In rushing wind and tongues of fire...

the Church is born.

In courage found and faith renewed...

the Church gains strength.

In visions seen and dreams made real...

the Church blesses the world.

In hopes rekindled and fears released...

the Church leads the way.

In rushing wind and tongues of fire...

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Hymn Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost VU#193

- 1 Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost,
taught by you, we covet most
of your gifts at Pentecost,
holy, heavenly love.**
- 2 Love is kind, and suffers long;
love is humble, thinks no wrong;
love than death itself more strong;
therefore give us love.**
- 3 Prophecy will fade away,
melting in the light of day;
love will ever with us stay;
therefore give us love.**
- 4 Faith will vanish into sight;
hope be emptied in delight;
love in heaven will shine more bright;
therefore give us love.**
- 5 Faith and hope and love we see
joining hand in hand agree;
but the greatest of the three,
and the best, is love.**

Opening Prayer

God of wind and flame, ignite a fire in our hearts and fill us with your courage and power. On this day of Pentecost, may our young people see visions and our elders dream dreams. Blow open the doors of our shut up hearts and send us into the world to spread the good news of your saving love. 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 O Jesus I Have Promised - Choir

Prayer of Confession:

Creator God, the earth is full of your creatures. When you send forth your spirit, they are created. When you take away their breath, they return to the earth. Open your hand and fill us with good things, Holy One, that we may sing and rejoice in your presence. Save us from our weakness and intercede on our behalf, that we may proclaim the glory of your world and help others claim your many blessings.

(Silence for private prayer)

Words of Assurance

God searches the heart and the Spirit helps us in our weakness. Rejoice, sisters and brothers in Christ, God's steadfast love endures forever.

Scripture readings:

Acts 2:1-21 read by Allen Borden

John 15:26,27; 16:4b-15 read by Rev. Jacob Shaw

Message

Hymn Fire of God, Undying Flame VU#209

- 1 Fire of God, undying flame,
 Spirit who in splendour came,
 let your heat my soul refine,
 till it glows with love divine.**

- 2 Breath of God, that swept in power
 in the pentecostal hour,
 holy breath, be now in me
 source of vital energy.**

- 3 Strength of God, your might within
 conquers sorrow, pain and sin:
 fortify from evil's art
 all the gateways of my heart.**

- 4 Truth of God, your piercing rays
 penetrate my secret ways.
 May the light that shames my sin
 guide me holier paths to win.**

- 5 Love of God, your grace profound
 knows not either age or bound:
 come, my heart's own guest to be,
 dwell for evermore in me.**

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

Merciful God, the blessings of Pentecost continue to birth hope for the future and offer blessings for those in need. May today's offering bring love and light to those who have yet to touch the holy wind and sacred fire of your Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn In the Bulb There Is a Flower **VU#703**

**1 In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.**

2 There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

3 In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

Benediction

In rushing wind and cleansing fire, go forth in the power
of the living God.

We go as children of God.

In courage found and strength renewed, go forth in the
power of the eternal Christ.

We go as heirs with Christ.

In visions born and dreams restored, go forth in the power
of the Holy Spirit.

We go as new creations in the Spirit.

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 † † † † † † † † † † † † † † †

Prayers and sympathy of the congregation are extended to Mary & Melville Johnson, on the death of Mary's sister-in-law, Enid MacKay of PEI on May 9, 2024.

The board of the Dyslexia Learning Center would like to send out a **HUGE THANKS** to the congregation of Mountain View United Church for all the tremendous support with our recent fundraiser, "Fiddling, Food and Fun". From AV assistance, UCW help with the lunch, Rev. Shaw bringing greetings and most importantly for the congregation for attending . . . We truly feel as if we belong here now . . . Financially, the event was a great success and we owe it all, to each and everyone of you! Thanks to all of you!

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Today: Please join us in the church hall following the Service of Worship for Coffee & Conversation.

Monday: UCW Esther Unit 1:30 p.m. Parlour

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

Wednesday: Scrapbooking 9:30 a.m. Boardroom

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

May 25th, Indoor Yard Sale, St. John's United Church, 75 Alma St, Karing Kitchen, (basement) entrance. 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Clothing, books, toys, linens, electronics, household and many more items for sale. You don't want to miss it.

May 25th, Mt. View United Church, 85 MacBeath Ave., Indoor Yard Sale. Friday, May 24th. 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 25th, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Bring in your "GOODIES" and put on stage. Volunteers will be needed on Tuesday, May 21st for set up.

June 2nd: The Service of Worship will be at 10:00 a.m. for our summer hours of Services.

