MOUNTAIN VIEW UNITED CHURCH 85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - June 16, 2024

Worship Leader
Music Supply
Office Supply
Custodian

Ken Draper
Jason Noble
Mary Allen
Marc Bourgeois

Gathering Music

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

Words of Welcome/Announcements

Gathering song: Open the Eyes of My Heart Open the eyes of my heart, Lord Open the eyes of my heart:
I want to see You
I want to see You. 2x

To see You high and lifted up Shining in the light of Your glory Pour out Your pow'r and love As we sing "Holy, holy, holy.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord Open the eyes of my heart: I want to see You.

Acknowledging Grads: Congratulations to:



<u>Audrey Gaylord</u> graduating from Harrison Trimble High School. Audrey is the daughter of Marla and Steve Gaylord, and Granddaughter of Mary (Larry) Allen.

Emma Ramsey graduating from Moncton High School. **Emma is the daughter of Marla and Anthony Ramsey and Grandaughter of Judy (Albert) Haley.**

<u>Lukas Garcia</u> graduating from Telhan High School in New Hempshire, USA. Lukas is the son of Mickael and Lynn Garcia and Grandson of Joan Richardson.

Zachery Owen graduating from New Brunswick Community College. Zachery is the son of Jason and Cindy Owen and Grandson of Valerie Russell. Great Grandmother Avalon Owen.

Marc Bourgeois our custodian just successfully wrote and passed his exams for his GED. Congratulations Marc.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

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Call to Worship

God of covenant love.

We praise you for planting seeds of your love within Abraham, Sarah, and their descendants.

God of incarnate love.

We marvel at the magnificent family tree that your divine love has created among us.

God of welcoming love,

We thank you that you have made a home for us within the branches of your family tree.

God of everlasting love,

We worship you, we love you, and we honor you with all that we are.

Hymn Joyful, Joyful We Adore You

1 Joyful, joyful we adore you,
God of glory, life and love;
hearts unfold like flowers before you,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the gloom of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

- 2 All your works with joy surround you, earth and heaven reflect your rays, stars and angels sing around you, centre of unbroken praise.

 Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, sound their praise eternally.
- 3 You are giving and forgiving,
 ever blessing, ever blest,
 wellspring of the joy of living,
 ocean depth of happy rest!
 Source of grace and fount of blessing,
 let your light upon us shine;
 teach us how to love each other,
 lift us to the joy divine.
- 4 Mortals join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began; God's own love is reigning o'er us, joining people hand in hand. Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;

Opening Prayer

Holy God, we humble our hearts before you in thanksgiving and awe. For by your mercy, we find ourselves at home in the branches of your family tree. We discover ourselves to be a people with a love that never fails. We find ourselves within your grand love story for all time and all creation. Whom can we thank, but you, for such great mercy? Bring your kingdom into our midst as we worship you this day. 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 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 the Lord our God
Great and mighty is he;

Ministry of Music

Prayer of Reflection:

Holy God, you do not see as mortals see; for you look not at outward appearances but rather on the heart. We long to be found worthy when you look upon our heart. We yearn to forsake our petty grievances and our unkind thoughts. We wish we could shuck our selfish motivations and our deceptions. God please help us be the best versions of ourselves. It's painful to admit the harm we do to one another. Create in our hearts a burning desire to please you. Grant us the courage to see our hearts as you see them, and give us the wisdom to trust your love. For you seek to transform us into your new creations. Amen.

(Silence for private prayer)

Words of Assurance

May those who desire to please Christ, find the desires of their hearts. Everything old has passed away. Glory to God! Amen.

Scripture readings:

1 Samuel 15: 34 – 16: 13 read by Hal Mullin

2 Corinthians 5: 6-17 read by Ken Draper

Message

Hymn

- 1 How firm a foundation, you servants of God, is laid for your faith in God's excellent word! What more can be said than to you has been said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
- 2 'Fear not, I am with you; O be not dismayed!
 For I am your God and will still give you aid;
 I'll strengthen and help you, and cause you to stand,
 upheld by my righteous omnipotent hand.
- 3 'When through the deep waters I call you to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be with you, your troubles to bless, and sanctify to you your deepest distress.
- 4 'When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply: the flame shall not hurt you; I only design your dross to consume, and your gold to refine.
- The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose I will not I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavour to shake, I'll never no, never no, never forsake!'

*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

This is our heart's desire, loving God, that you would take our money and our time, our prayers and our service, and transform them into the currency of your kingdom. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn Blessed Assurance VU 337

1 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.

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.

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 and blessed; watching and waiting, looking above, filled with God's goodness, lost in Christ's love. R

Benediction

Receive the new thing that God is creating within you. Bless the new thing that God is creating in the world. Amen.

Sung Benediction Spirit of the Living God VU#376

- Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
 Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
 Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me.
 Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
- 2 Spirit of the living God, move among us all; make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love: humble, caring, selfless, sharing.

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

Upcoming Events & Announcements

Today: Please join in the hall following the Service of Worship for Coffee and Conversation along with cake In Honor of our Graduates.

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

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

Executive Meeting 7:00 p.m. Boardroom

THINK, PRAY, ABOUT IT PLEASE: NEEDED,

For September, two Joyland teachers plus a helper are very much needed. One class of ages 1-5 and one class of ages 6-9. We have grown in numbers. Please help us continue in this growth. WE NEED YOU!

Please contact Barb Groundwater or call the church office.

