MOUNTAIN VIEW UNITED CHURCH 85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost - August 25, 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 "Open My 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. I want to see You.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

God is our sun and our shield. God's glory shines upon us. God is our strength and our hope.

God's faithfulness guides us. God is our hope and our salvation.

God's love and mercy welcome us.

HymnHow Lovely, God (Psalm 84)VU 801How lovely, God, how lovely is you abiding place;my soul is longing, fainting, to feast upon your grace,The sparrow finds a shelter, a place to build her nest;and so your temple call us within its walls to rest.

In your blest courts to worship, O God, a single day is better that a thousand if I from you should stray. I'd rather keep the entrance and claim you as my Lord, than revel in the riches the ways of sin afford.

A sun and shield forever are you, O God Most High; you shower us with blessings: no good will you deny. The saints, your grace receiving, from strength to strength shall go,

And from their life shall rivers of blessing overflow.

Opening Prayer

God of grace and glory, pour out the power of your Holy Spirit on our worship and our gathering. Strengthen and protect us with your steadfast faithfulness. Feed us with the bread of life, and guide our steps with the wisdom of your word. In your holy name, 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 Regina Cote, "Shine Jesus Shine"

Prayer of Confession:

Gracious God of spirit and life, we long to look upon your face and live. We yearn to shine with your glory, despite our tarnished lives. We seek to stand firm and faithful, even when the storms of life threaten us. Lift us up with your mercy, that we may perceive your loving grace. Light our paths with your wisdom and strengthen us with your powerful Spirit, that we may follow you faithfully all the days of our lives. Amen.

(Silence for private prayer)

Words of Assurance

God is our sun and our shield. Christ is the bread of our lives. The Spirit is our strength and our power. In these truths, we are clothed with protection to live with justice, truth, and peace.

Scripture readings:

Ephesians 6:10-20 read by Regina Cote John 6:56-69 read by Rev. Shaw

Message

Hymn

Come to My Heart

1 Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; teach me to walk in your way. Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; come to my heart today.

> Give me the peace and joy that only you can bring. Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; give me a song to sing.

2 Fill me with love, Lord Jesus; teach me to walk in your way. Fill me with love, Lord Jesus; fill me with love today.

> Give me the peace and joy that only you can bring. Fill me with love, Lord Jesus; give me a song to sing.

3 Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus; teach me to walk in your way. Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus; Answer my prayer today.

> Give me the peace and joy that only you can bring. Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus; give me a song to sing.

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.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me VU 575

- I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
 I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
 I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 3 I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 4 I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

Benediction

Led by Christ, **we go now to serve.** Strengthened by the Spirit, **we go to bring justice and peace.** Guided by God, **we go in God's glory and grace. 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!

SCRIPTURE READERS: We have regular readers but invite you to consider a week or two a year. New Faces and New Voices always welcomed. Please see sign-up sheet or call the office.

REMINDER: September 8, 2024 – 10:30 start.

Join us on Sunday, September 8th. for our Welcome Back Service at 10:30 a.m.

Joyland for ages 4 and up will resume on that Sunday as well. The Nursery will be open for children 3 years and under. The children are asked to bring their book bags for the blessing of the book bags as they get ready for another school year. Following the service, join us in the hall for a light lunch and ice cream sundaes.