

MOUNTAIN VIEW UNITED CHURCH
85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Labour Day- September 1, 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 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.

I want to see You.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship *(from Gathering 2024)*

The work of God is love.

Loving God is our work.

Let us work together.

In love, let us work together with God.

And may this time of worship inspire the loving work
God calls us to do.

Hymn Let Us Build a House MV #1

**Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live, a place where
saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.**

**Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions.**

**Refrain: All are welcome, all are welcome,
 All are welcome in this place.**

**Let us build a house where prophets speak
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.**

**Here the cross shall stand as witness
And a symbol of God's grace;**

here as one we claim the faith of Jesus.

R

**Let us build a house where love is found in water,
wine and wheat; a banquet hall on holy ground,
where peace and justice meet.**

**Here the love of God, through Jesus
is revealed in time and space
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us. R**

**Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen,
serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of
God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger. R**

**Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and
visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and
laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this house
proclaim from floor to rafter; R**

Opening Prayer (from Gathering 2024)

**Holy One, we thank you for the gifts you have given.
For life, both new and old. For love of friend and
stranger. For Christ alive in our hearts. We ask that
you bless our gathering, that our words, our actions and
our love--our lives themselves—might be living
reflections of your love. In Christ's name, we ask these
things. 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

Ever-faithful God, you create each of us to be a presence of healing and love in our world. You equip us to resist intentions and actions that hurt ourselves and others.

Forgive us when we forget your desire for us. Forgive us when we put aside your vision. Remind us of the love and goodness that you have planted within us. Draw our hearts close to you and bless us as we live in your ways.

Amen.

(Silence for private prayer)

Words of Assurance

God has chosen to give us new life. This is God's choice, given freely to us, as is every other good gift God has given. Rejoice in this good news!

Scripture readings:

James 1:17-27 by Gary Carey

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 read by Rev. Shaw

Message

Hymn Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (x2)

VU 400

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace!**

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 Hush! Hush! MV#167

**Hush! Hush!
Somebody's callin' my name. (3x)
Oh my Lord, oh my Lord,
What shall I do?**

Benediction

The good gifts of God continue to pour out upon us, giving us inspiration and energy for every good act.

May our lives yield a full harvest of goodness and compassion!

Go and be doers of God's word of truth!

May our lives honor God! Amen.

Sung Benediction Spirit of the Living God VU#376

1 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!

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

Upcoming Events & Announcements

**NEXT SUNDAY – SEPTEMBER 8/24 – Church
starts at 10:30 a.m.**

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.

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.

Fall Fair planning is in the works and date is November 9th, 2024! Items needed are: Silent Auction items, Bake Table, Pickles & Fudge, Breads, Jams, and Jellies, Attic Treasures, Christmas items, Crafts and Fancy Work (knitted or crocheted items, etc.), Books, CDs, and DVD's, Puzzles & Games, Jewelry, Plants, Scarves and Purses. All contributions are appreciated.