

MOUNTAIN VIEW UNITED CHURCH
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Prelude/Gathering Music

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

Words of Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Song God, Reveal Your Presence VU#391

**1 God, reveal your presence: as we now adore you
and with awe appear before you.**

**Here in this your temple: all within keep silence,
gather now with deepest reverence.**

**You alone God we own,
you, our God and Saviour:
praise your name for ever.**

**2 God, reveal your presence:
hear the harps resounding;**

see the crowds the throne surrounding.

**'Holy, holy, holy!' Hear the hymn ascending,
angels, saints, their voices blending.**

Bow your ear to us here;

hearken, O Lord Jesus, to our humble praises. 1.

**3 O great Fount of blessing, purify my spirit,
trusting only in your merit;
like the holy angels gathered all before you,
may I ceaselessly adore you.
Let your will ever still
rule your church terrestrial, as the hosts celestial.**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

God's light brings us clarity, understanding, conviction, and promise. God's light can deliver us to meekness, humility, repentance, and belief.

Call to Worship

Spirit, when our minds are troubled, grant us your wisdom.

And we shall know peace.

Son, when our hearts are anxious, remind us of your righteousness.

And we shall know blessings.

Father, when our souls are worried and panicked, grace us with your presence.

**And our minds, hearts, and souls will be content
with you!**

Hymn This Day God Gives Me VU#410

**1 This day God gives me strength of high heaven,
sun and moon shining, flame in my hearth,
flashing of lightning, wind in its swiftness,
deeps of the ocean, firmness of earth.**

- 2 This day God sends me strength to sustain me,
might to uphold me, wisdom as guide.
Your eyes are watchful, your ears are listening,
your lips are speaking, Friend at my side.**
- 3 God's way is my way, God's shield is round me,
God's host defends me, saving from ill.
Angels of heaven, drive from me always
all that would harm me, stand by me still.**
- 4 Rising, I thank you, mighty and strong One,
King of creation, giver of rest,
firmly confessing Threeness of Persons,
Oneness of Godhead, Trinity blest.**

Opening Prayer

Jesus, we have repented, and we have followed You, we now seek to trust You deeper. We see the confidence in faith to let go of fear, doubt, worry, and anxiety. We ask for Your help to anchor our roots of faith deep into You, our God; Father, Son, and Spirit, so that no matter what winds blow, we will endure and stand strong. Amen

Children come forward during the signing of this song

Children's Gathering Song – This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

**Don't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.
Don't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.
Don't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

**Let it shine till Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine till Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine till Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

Ministry of Music

Prayer of Confession

**We come prepared to listen. We come prepared to hear.
We come prepared to learn. In all the ways our hearts
resist your Word, and your revelation, help us overcome.
In love and eagerness we sit at your feet.**

(Silence for private prayer)

Words of Assurance

Scripture readings:

Psalm 55:16-23 read by Sharon Ruet

Matthew 6:25-34 read by Rev. Shaw

Message

Hymn If You Will Trust in God to Guide You VU#286

- 1 If you will trust in God to guide you,
and hope in God through all your ways,
God will give strength, whatever betide you,
and bear you through the evil days.
Who trusts in God's unchanging love
builds on the rock that will not move.**
- 2 God will embrace your pain and weeping,
your helpless anger and distress.
If you are in God's care and keeping,
in sorrow will God love you less?
For Christ, who took for you a cross,
will bring you safe through every loss.**
- 3 Sing, pray, and keep God's ways unswerving;
so do your own part faithfully,
and trust God's word; though undeserving,
you'll find God's promise true to be.
God never will forsake in need
the soul that trusts in God indeed.**

Invitation to Share Offering

Offertory Hymn: Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given.

Jesus Christ His Son and now let the weak say I am strong

Let the poor say I am rich.

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

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Prayers of the People

Offertory, Personal Prayer, Lord's Prayer given to God

Hymn One More Step Along the World I Go VU#639

**1 One more step along the world I go,
one more step along the world I go,
from the old things to the new,
keep me travelling along with you:**

**R: And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.**

**2 Round the corner of the world I turn,
more and more about the world I learn;
all the new things that I see
you'll be looking at along with me: R**

**3 As I travel through the bad and good,
keep me travelling the way I should;
where I see no way to go
you'll be telling me the way, I know: R**

**4 Give me courage when the world is rough,
keep me loving though the world is tough,
leap and sing in all I do,
keep me travelling along with you: R**

**5 You are older than the world can be,
you are younger than the life in me,
ever old and ever new,
keep me travelling along with you:
And it's from the old I travel to the new;
keep me travelling along with you.**

Benediction

Let us trust deeper, let our hearts find peace,
let our worries fade, and our love for God increase.

Sung Benediction You Shall Go Out With Joy VU884 Isaiah 55

**You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;
the mountains and the hills will break forth before
you;
there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field
will clap, will clap their hands!
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands,
(clap, clap)
the trees of the field will clap their hands, (clap, clap)
the trees of the field will clap their hands, (clap, clap)
while you go out with joy.**

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

Upcoming Events & Announcements

October 6th, join us for a time of fellowship with Mark & Janet Lloyd, to acknowledge the ministry of music and worship they shared with us here at Mountain View. A basket will be in the narthex for anyone who wishes to bring a card of appreciation.

Fall Fair Nov. 9th- Items needed for Silent Auction (letters for businesses are on the table in the narthex, also needed baking, pickles & fudge, breads, jams & jellies, Attic Treasures, Christmas items, crafts, books, CD's, DVD's puzzles & games, jewelry, plants, scarves & purses.

Apple Pie Sales: October 5th & 19th. Sign up sheets for volunteers and pie orders for October 19th are in the narthex.

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

Tuesday, Sept. 24th – Bible Study 1:00 p.m. Parlour

Wed., Sept. 25th - Scrapbooking 9-11:30 a.m.

Boardroom

Next Sunday – Community dinner – volunteers needed.

Parent & Child Nights: (6-8 p.m.)

First Thursday of the month women lead Children's Program.

Oct. 3rd & Nov. 7th. Third Thursday of the month men lead Children's Program, Oct. 17th & Nov. 21st.

On December 5th there will be a Christmas Party Night.

Sept. 29th – International Day of Older Persons. Mayor Dawn Arnold & the Seniors Advisory Committee invite Moncton Seniors to City Hall, 655 Main St., 2 p.m. Entertainment by Linda & Joey Howe. Door prizes, cake & refreshments.

Oct. 2nd – St. John's UCW Fashion Show, St. John's United Church, 75 Alma St., (use Victoria St. door) 7:00-8:30 p.m. Tickets \$12.00 available from church office. Dessert & tea/coffee served. Fashions provided by Boutique Hospice Shoppe.

Oct. 22nd – Fr. Ray Kelly, the singing priest from Ireland, will uplift and entertain with songs and stories that celebrate hope, love, and joy. Tickets at riverviewartscentre.ca or call 506-852-7189 or at the box office at 400 Whitepine Rd., Riverview.

Scripture Reading: Psalm 55:16-23

As for me, I call to God, and he Lord saves me.

Evening, morning and noon I cry out in distress, and he hears my voice. He rescues me unharmed from the battle waged against me, even though many oppose me.

God, who is enthroned from of old, who does not change—he will hear them and humble them, because they have no fear of God.

My companion attacks his friends; he violates his covenant. His talk is smooth as butter, yet war is in his heart; his words are more soothing than oil, yet they are drawn swords.

Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous be shaken.

But you, God, will bring down the wicked into the pit of decay; the bloodthirsty and deceitful will not live out half their days.

But as for me, I trust in you.

Matthew 6:25-34

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life^[a]?

“And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith?

So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.