# Mountain Diew United Church 85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3 Sixth Sunday of Easter – May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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# **Gathering Music**

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

#### Words of Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Song: Moved by the Gospel, Let Us Move VU#394

- 1 Moved by the Gospel, let us move with every gift and art.
  - The image of creative love indwells each human heart.
  - The Maker calls creation good, so let us now express
  - with sound and colour, stone and wood, the shape of holiness.
- 2 Let weavers form from broken strands a tapestry of prayer.
  - Let artists paint with skilful hands their joy, lament, and care.
  - Then mime the story: Christ has come. With reverence dance the word.
  - With flute and organ, ching and drum God's praise be ever heard.

O Spirit, breathe among us here; inspire the work we do.
 May hands and voices, eye and ear attest to life made new.
 In worship and in daily strife create among us still.
 Great Artist, form our common life

according to your will.

# **Lighting of the Christ Candle**

The world is a live with the sounds of creation, creation sings to the glory and majesty of our Lord, let us this day sing too, sing and raise our praises.

## Call to Worship

Heavenly Father, we begin this time together by acknowledging Your greatness.

We begin this celebration of Your ascension by praising Your Holy name.

You are worthy of all honor and glory.

We give You thanks for Your love and grace.

All authority is given unto the Lord Jesus.

Let us shout, sing, and proclaim this Gospel truth.

Hymn It's A Song of Praise to the Maker MV#30 It's a song of praise to the Maker, the thrust sings high in the tree. It's a song of praise to the Maker, the gray whale sings in the sea,

#### Refrain:

And by the Spirit, you and I can join our voice to the holy cry and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

It's a call of life to the Giver when waves and waterfalls roar. It's a call of life to the Giver when high tides break on the shore, R

It's a hymn of love to the Lover; the bumblebees hum along.
It's a hymn of love to the Lover; the summer breeze joins the song, R

It's the chorus of all creation; it's sung by all living things. It's the chorus of all creation, a song the universe sings.

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# **Opening Prayer**

Almighty God, we come before You with reverence and praise. You are the Creator, the Sustainer, and the Redeemer of all. We acknowledge Your power and Your wisdom, Your mercy and Your grace. We give You thanks for Your boundless love and ask that You bless this time together. Amen.

Children's Song: My God Is So Big
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty
There's nothing my God cannot do
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty
My God can make everything new.

The mountains are His. The rivers are His The stars are His handiwork, too.

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty There's nothing my God cannot do My God is so great, so strong and so mighty There's nothing my God cannot do for you.

Children's Ministry: Make Church A House of Praise

**Ministry Music:** Choir

#### **Prayer of Confession:**

Lord, our God, we praise You for Your boundless mercy and tenderness. We are humbled by Your greatness and the infinite love You have shown to us. We confess our sins, our failings, and the ways we have strayed from Your path. May we better dedicate our lives to a life worthy of Your glory, reflecting Your love and goodness to those around me. Amen

# Scripture readings: Psalm 100 read by Mo' Ogunbambo

- <sup>1</sup> Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.
- Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.
- <sup>3</sup> Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
- <sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.
- <sup>5</sup> For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

#### Mark 11:15-25 New International Version – Rev. Shaw

- <sup>15</sup> On reaching Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple courts and began driving out those who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves,
- <sup>16</sup> and would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple courts.
- <sup>17</sup> And as he taught them, he said, "Is it not written: 'My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations'? But you have made it 'a den of robbers.'
- <sup>18</sup> The chief priests and the teachers of the law heard this and began looking for a way to kill him, for they feared him, because the whole crowd was amazed at his teaching.
- <sup>19</sup> When evening came, Jesus and his disciples<sup>[c]</sup> went out of the city.
- <sup>20</sup> In the morning, as they went along, they saw the fig tree withered from the roots.
- <sup>21</sup> Peter remembered and said to Jesus, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree you cursed has withered!"
- <sup>22</sup> "Have faith in God," Jesus answered.
- <sup>23</sup> "Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them.
- <sup>24</sup> Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.
- <sup>25</sup> And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins."

#### Message

# Hymn You Are My King (Amazing Love) - SongSelect(CCLI Song #2456623)

Verse

I'm forgiven. Because You were forsaken
I'm accepted. You were condemned
I'm alive and well. Your Spirit is within me
Because You died. And rose again

#### **Chorus:**

Amazing love. How can it be. That You my King Would die for me.

Amazing love. I know it's true.

It's my joy to honor You in all I do I honor You.

(Verse-Chorus-Verse-Chorus)

## **Bridge:**

You are my King. You are my King Jesus You are my King. Jesus You are my King (Chorus)

**Invitation to Share Offering Offering Musical Offering** 

\*Offering Song-Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands VU#570

Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all, healing pain and sickness, blessing children small, washing tired feet, and saving those who fall; Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all.

Take my hands, O Jesus, let them work for you, make them strong and gentle, kind in all I do; let me watch you, Jesus, till I'm gentle too, till my hands are kind hands, quick to work for you.

#### **Offertory Prayer:**

Gracious and loving God, we come before You with hearts filled with gratitude for Your abundant blessings. We thank You for the countless gifts You have bestowed upon us, from the simple joys of life to the remarkable opportunities we have been given to follow Christ Jesus. As we offer these gifts today let our generosity reflect Your praiseworthiness. May Your work be advanced through these offerings in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## **Prayers of the People**

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

Hymn Make a Joyful Noise Psalm 100 VU#820 Make a joyful noise all the earth! Worship your God with gladness. Make a joyful noise all the earth. Come to this place with a song!

- 1 Know that your God has made you.
  Know it's to God we belong.
  And come to this place with joyfulness and praise.
  Worship your God with a song! R
- 2 Enter these gates, thanks giving.
  Enter these courts with praise.
  Sing thanks to your God and bless the holy Name.
  Worship your God with a song! R
- 3 Ages through endless ages, seasons of endless years, the love of our Maker ever shall endure. Worship your God with a song! R

#### **Benediction:**

Continue to praise God, in all you do, in all you say, let your life be a testament to the power, authority, and glory that is Christ Jesus. Amen.

# Sung Benediction: God, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing VU#425

1 God, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace; O refresh us, O refresh us, travelling through the wilderness.

2 Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound; may the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound; may your presence, may your presence, with us evermore be found.

Postlude ttttttt

Today: Community Dinner Sunday. We would welcome and appreciate volunteers to help with this dinner.

Tuesday: Bible Study 1:00 p.m. Church Hall Wednesday: Choir practice 7:00 p.m. Church Hall

Graduation 2025 - Please advise the church office if you have a family member about to graduate this year. June 1<sup>st</sup> will be the Sunday for acknowledging our graduates and also our Sunday School end of year program.

May 25<sup>th</sup>: Hillsborough United Church invites you to our Covenanting Service with Rev. Tara Ann Gourson, 2 p.m.

June 7<sup>th</sup> - UCW 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tea, 12 p.m., in the church hall. Tickets are \$10 each. Tickets are available from the church office, Debbie Ellison, or Barb Groundwater.

June 8<sup>th</sup> – Area United Churches will be celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, South-East New Brunswick Centennial Service at St. John's United Church, 75 Alma St. 11:00 a.m. Reception to follow. Parking areas are listed on small notes on the table in the church hall.

No Service at Mountain View June 8th.

June 15<sup>th</sup>-Our Service of Worship will be at 10:00 a.m. for our summer hours of Services.

Supplies Drive: Camp TaWaSi is in need of many supplies for camp this year. A complete list of needed items is available from the camp. Pease bring any items you can donate on Sunday June 1st. Items such as sleeping bags bedding beach toys and towels, games, personal toiletries, etc are needed. Thank you for any help that you can give.