Mountain **Hiew United Church** 85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3 Sunday – June 15th, 2025

Worship Leader Director of Music Office Administrator Custodian



Rev. Jacob Shaw Jason Noble Liz Simmons Juliana Sarpong

Gathering Music

Words of Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Song: Holy Spirit, Come into Our Lives MV6 vs1-3

Refrain:

Holy Spirit, come into our lives. Holy Spirit, make us truly wise.

- 1. Give us a spirit of wisdom, an understanding heart. Give us a spirit of knowledge, and lead us to the truth. R
- 2. Give us a spirit of courage, and judgment that is wise. Give us a spirit of rev'rence, of wonder and of awe. R

3.Spirit of love and compassion, give hope to all the poor. Spirit of justice and mercy, come open ev'ry door. R

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The fire of Pentecost is a burning and life-giving Spirit. Let our hearts come alive with the radiance that the Spirit brings.

Call to Worship

Heavenly Father, in Your mercy and justice, You gave us Your Son.

Let us give Your Son to others, the greatest gift we can give.

Lord Jesus, You have given Your life, You gave Your dignity, You gave Your love to us.

Let us live a life of giving, let us hold nothing back. Holy Spirit, You give us the Wisdom of God, You give us Your sight when we are blind.

Let us speak, live, and proclaim the Wisdom of the Gospel for all to hear.

Hymn Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost VU#193

1 Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost, taught by you, we covet most of your gifts at Pentecost, holy, heavenly love.

- 2 Love is kind, and suffers long; love is humble, thinks no wrong; love than death itself more strong; therefore give us love.
- 3 Prophecy will fade away, melting in the light of day; love will ever with us stay; therefore give us love.
- 4 Faith will vanish into sight; hope be emptied in delight; love in heaven will shine more bright; therefore give us love.
- 5 Faith and hope and love we see joining hand in hand agree; but the greatest of the three, and the best, is love.

Opening Prayer

Jesus, You said that where our treasure is, there will our hearts be also. You also said that it is more blessed to give than to receive. You also pointed out the poor widow who gave out of her poverty, and You praised her. Help us find that kind of generous spirit, let us be a living and giving soul, sharing into the work of Your kingdom both for our church and around the world. Amen. Children's Song: And On This Path (Vs1) MV#8MV 1.And on this path,

> the gates of holiness are open wide, (3x) Open wide! Open wide!

Open wide, the gates are open wide!

Ministry Music: Choir

Prayer of Confession:

Lord God, we humbly confess that we have been covetous. We have looked with envy at the possessions and achievements of others, and our hearts have been filled with discontent rather than gratitude for Your blessings. Help me to see the joy of generosity and to be satisfied with what we have. Amen.

Scripture readings:

Proverbs 15:24-33 read by Regina Cote

- ²⁴ The path of life leads upward for the prudent to keep them from going down to the realm of the dead.
- ²⁵ The LORD tears down the house of the proud, but he sets the widow's boundary stones in place.
- ²⁶ The LORD detests the thoughts of the wicked, but gracious words are pure in his sight.
- ²⁷ The greedy bring ruin to their households, but the one who hates bribes will live.

- ²⁸ The heart of the righteous weighs its answers, but the mouth of the wicked gushes evil.
- ²⁹ The LORD is far from the wicked, but he hears the prayer of the righteous.
- ³⁰ Light in a messenger's eyes brings joy to the heart, and good news gives health to the bones.
- ³¹ Whoever heeds life-giving correction will be at home among the wise.
- ³² Those who disregard discipline despise themselves, but the one who heeds correction gains understanding.
- ³³ Wisdom's instruction is to fear the LORD, and humility comes before honor.

Luke 12:13-21 read by Rev. Shaw

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

¹⁴ Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?"

¹⁵ Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions." ¹⁶ And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest.

¹⁷ He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'

¹⁸ "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain.

¹⁹ And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."

²⁰ "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'

²¹ "This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God."

Message

HymnDeep In Our HeartsMV#154Deep in our hearts there is a common vision,
deep in our hearts there is a common song,
deep in our hearts there is a common story,
telling Creation that we are one.

Deep in our hearts there is a common purpose, deep in our hearts there is a common goal, deep in our hearts there is a sacred message, justice and peace in harmony.

Deep in our hearts there is a common longing, deep in our hearts there is a common theme, deep in our hearts there is a common current, flowing to freedom like a stream,

Deep in our hearts there is a common vision, deep in our hearts there is a common song, deep in our hearts there is a common story, telling Creation that we are one.

Invitation to Share Offering Offering Musical Offering *Offering Song-Come, Holy Spirit (x3)VU#204 Come, Holy Spirit, gracious heavenly dove; come, fire of love.

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 out generosity reflect Your praiseworthiness. May Your work be advanced through these offerings in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. 7. **Offertory, Personal Prayer, The Lord's Prayer, Given to God**

Hymn Holy Spirit, Come into Our Lives Vs4-6MV6 Refrain: Holy Spirit, come into our lives. Holy Spirit, make us truly wise.

- 4.Spirit of all consolation, O lift our hearts this day. Spirit of all understanding, O help us know your way.R
- 5.Spirit of light and of wisdom, O lift us from our sorrow. Spirit of peace and forgiveness, O help us face tomorrow. R
- 6.Spirit of strength and of healing, bend stubborn hearts and will. Spirit of trust and of caring, O melt us, warm our chill. R.

Benediction

Let us embody Jesus' warning about covetousness and fully embrace a life of generous giving. Let this week before us mark that change of life. Sung Benediction: Take Up His Song (V1) MV#213 Take up his song of peace and go into the world. Take up his song of peace in ev'ry moment. in ev'ry moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives; lay them down, in peace, lay them down, and take up his song. Postlude ታታታታታታታታታታታታታ

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

If you know of anyone or you would like a home visit or hospital visit from Rev. Shaw please call the church office.

Bulletins today are to the Glory of God and In Loving Memory of Jim Mullin, placed by wife, Betty and children; Hal, Janet, Valerie, Shelley and families.

Book club meetings have stopped and will resume again in September. First meeting will be September 29th at 1:30 p.m. in the parlour. The book chosen for this meeting is **The Storied Life of A.J.Fikry** by Gabrielle Zevin. October book is **The God of the Woods** by Liz Moore New members are most welcome. For further information please call Debbie Ellison at 506-384-2812.

Choir practice on Wednesdays are done for the summer and will resume in September.