

Mountain View United Church
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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost – August 3, 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: Come to My Heart **VU661**

**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.**

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

Beloved, let us gather with hearts open to the One who conquers, death!

As Jesus stood at Lazarus' tomb and called him forth, so He calls us today.

He calls us from our struggles into His light.

Come, let us worship the resurrection and the life, trusting in His power to renew us.

Lift your voices in praise, for our God turns sorrow into joy!

Let us come out from darkness into the light of God.

Hymn : In the Bulb there is a Flower VU 703

**1 In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.**

**2 There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.**

**3 In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.**

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, we gather before You this morning, in the presence of Your holy power. Like Jesus at Lazarus' tomb, You come to us in our places of sorrow and despair. We thank you for being the resurrection and the life, calling us out of darkness into Your marvelous light. Open our hearts today to trust in Your authority over darkness and death. As we worship, prepare us to receive Your life-giving word. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Children's Song: And On This Path MV 8 v 1

Ministry Music:

Prayer of Confession:

Merciful Father, we come before You at this hour, confessing our shortcomings. Like Martha and Mary, we sometimes doubt Your power when faced with the struggles we face. We have held back faith, clinging to fear instead of trusting Your promise of life. Forgive us, Lord, cleanse us, renew our trust, and help us to unbind one another with Your love. In Jesus' name, we seek your mercy. Amen.

Scripture readings:

Ezekiel 37: 11-14 read by Gary Carey

John 11: 38-44 read by Rev. Shaw

Message

Hymn: What A Friend We Have in Jesus VU 664

**1 What a friend we have in Jesus,
 all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
 everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit,
 O what needless pain we bear,
all because we do not carry
 everything to God in prayer.**

- 2 Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful,
who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness;
take it to the Lord in prayer.**
- 3 Are we weak and heavy laden,
cumbered with a load of care?
Christ the Saviour is our refuge;
take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do our friends despise, forsake us?
Are we tempted to despair?
Jesus' strength will shield our weakness,
and we'll find new courage there.**

Invitation to Share Offering

Offering Musical Offering

***Offering Song: Come, Holy Spirit**

VU 204

Come, Holy Spirit,

gracious heavenly dove;

come, fire of love.

Offertory Prayer:

Heavenly Father, we bring our offerings before you today, inspired by the miracle at Lazarus' tomb. Just as Jesus called Lazarus to new life and commanded his grave clothes be removed, we offer these gifts to free others from need and despair, Lord, bring life to this dead currency. We dedicate this to Your glory, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

Prayers of the People

Hymn: Standing on the Promises MVF 46

**1. Standing on the promises of Christ my King,
Thro' eternal ages let His praises ring,
Glory in the highest I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God.**

Chorus:

Standing, standing,

Standing on the promises of God my Savior:

**Standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of
God.**

**2. Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
When the howling storms of doubt and fear as-sail,
By the living Word of God, I shall prevail,
Standing on the promises of God.**

Chorus:

**3. Standing on the promises I now can see,
Perfect present cleansing in the blood for me'
Standing in the lib-erty where Christ makes free,
Standing on the promises of God.**

Chorus:

**4. Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord,
Overcoming daily with the Spirt's sword,
Standing on the promises of God.**

Chorus:

**5. Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
Listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
Resting in my Savior, as my all in all,
Standing on the promised of God.**

Chorus:

Spoken Benediction:

**May the Lord bless and keep you as you go. May His
life-giving power shine upon you, guiding you to unbind
others with the Gospel; beaming with love and generosity.
Go forth in peace, confident in the resurrection hope of
Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.**

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 † † † † † † † † † † † † † † †

Today: Join us in the Church Hall following the Service Of Worship for refreshments and a time of fellowship.

Do you know of anyone or you would like a home visit or hospital visit from Rev. Shaw please call the church office 506-857-4817.

If you wish to have offering envelopes please put your name, address, and phone number on the sign up sheet in the narthex. There is also a PAR brochure if you wish to sign up for pre-authorized remittance. E-transfers may be made to: mtviewteller@gmail.com

To have bulletins "In Memory of" or "In Celebration of" a loved one, please call the church office.

Have a Happy and safe New Brunswick Day.



MY JESUS:

HE is the GOD of :

The second chance

The fat chance,

The slim chance,

The no chance,

MY JESUS, IS EVERYTHING

