

# **Mountain View United Church**

**85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3**

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost – August 24, 2025**

**Worship Leader**

**Music Leader**

**Office Admin**

**Custodian**



**Rev. Jacob Shaw**

**Jason Noble**

**Liz Simmons**

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## **Gathering Music**

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

## **Words of Welcome/Announcements**

**Gathering Song: See the Morning Sun Ascending VU#406**

- 1 See the morning sun ascending,  
radiant in the eastern sky;  
hear the angel voices blending  
in their praise to God on high!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Glory be to God on high!**
- 2 So may we, in lowly station,  
join the choristers above;  
singing with the whole creation,  
praising you for your great love.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Glory be to God above!**

**3 For your loving-kindness ever  
shed upon our earthly way;  
or your mercy, ceasing never,  
for your blessing day by day:**

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Glory be to God alway!**

**4 'Wisdom, honour, power, and blessing!'  
with the angelic host we cry;  
round your throne, your name confessing,  
now we would to you draw nigh.**

**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Glory be to God on high!**

### **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**

Come, let us worship the Lord, our God, who gives us commands that lead to life!

**We gather to praise the One whose ways are just  
and true.**

God's commandments are a light to our path, guiding us in love and righteousness.

**With grateful hearts, we seek to keep His word and  
walk in His ways.**

Let us sing and rejoice, for the Lord is faithful, and His precepts bring joy.

**We will honor Him by keeping His commands,  
living for His glory.**

**Hymn      Come, My Way, My Truth      VU#628**

- 1    Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:  
such a way as gives us breath,  
such a truth as ends all strife,  
such a life as killeth death.**
- 2    Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:  
such a light as shows a feast,  
such a feast as mends in length,  
such a strength as makes his guest.**
- 3    Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:  
such a joy as none can move,  
such a love as none can part,  
such a heart as joys in love.**

**Opening Prayer**

**Loving and Holy God, You are the source of all wisdom and the giver of commands that lead us to life. As we enter into this time of worship, open our minds to understand Your Word, strengthen our wills to follow Your path, and fill us with Your Spirit to live out Your truth in love. Amen.**

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

**And on this path,  
the gates of holiness are open wide, (3x)  
Open wide! Open wide!  
Open wide, the gates are open wide!**

# **Children's Ministry: Keep God's Commands**

## **Ministry Music**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Forgive us when we falter or turn aside and renew our commitment to walk in Your ways. May our obedience be a reflection of our love for You, bringing glory to Your name and light to the world. In the name of Jesus, our Lord, we pray. Amen.**

### **Scripture reading:**

#### **Deuteronomy 4:1-8 read by Esther Agboola**

Now, Israel, hear the decrees and laws I am about to teach you. Follow them so that you may live and may go in and take possession of the land the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you.

<sup>2</sup> Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the LORD your God that I give you.

<sup>3</sup> You saw with your own eyes what the LORD did at Baal Peor. The LORD your God destroyed from among you everyone who followed the Baal of Peor,

<sup>4</sup> but all of you who held fast to the LORD your God are still alive today.

<sup>5</sup> See, I have taught you decrees and laws as the LORD my God commanded me, so that you may follow them in the land you are entering to take possession of it.

<sup>6</sup> Observe them carefully, for this will show your wisdom and understanding to the nations, who will hear about all these decrees and say, “Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.” <sup>7</sup> What other nation is so great as to have their gods near them the way the LORD our God is near us whenever we pray to him? <sup>8</sup> And what other nation is so great as to have such righteous decrees and laws as this body of laws I am setting before you today?

**John 14:15-21 read by Rev. Shaw**

<sup>15</sup> “If you love me, keep my commands.

<sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—

<sup>17</sup> the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup> I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

<sup>19</sup> Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live.

<sup>20</sup> On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.

<sup>21</sup> Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.”

**Message**

**Hymn    Take Time to Be Holy      VU#672**

- 1    Take time to be holy, speak oft with your Lord;  
abide in him always, and feed on his word.  
Make friends of God's children,  
help those who are weak,  
forgetting in nothing his blessing to seek.**
- 2    Take time to be holy, let him be your guide,  
and run not before him, whatever betide.  
In joy or in sorrow, still follow the Lord,  
and, looking to Jesus, still trust in his word.**
- 3    Take time to be holy, be calm in your soul,  
each thought and each motive beneath his control.  
Thus led by his spirit to fountains of love,  
you soon shall be fitted for service above.**

**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**

**Faithful God, Your commands are our guide, leading us to lives of love and righteousness. As we bring our offerings before You today, we seek to obey Your call to give generously and faithfully. May these gifts reflect our commitment to keeping Your commands, offered with hearts surrendered to Your will. In the name of Jesus, our Savior, we pray. Amen.**

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

## **Prayers of the People**

**Hymn            O Worship The King            MVF#102**

**1.O, worship the King, all-glorious above,  
and gratefully sing His wonderful love;  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.**

**2.Oh, tell of His might, and sing of His grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.**

**3. Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.**

**4. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;  
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!**

### **Spoken Benediction**

. As you depart from this sacred gathering, may the Lord, our gracious and holy God, empower you to keep His commands with steadfast hearts. May His Word be your guide, His Spirit your strength, and His love your motivation in all you do.

### **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    † † † † † † † † † † † † † † †**



**Prayers and sympathy are extended to Lee Purves and Family on the passing of her son, Scott, on August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**

**Volunteers are needed for the Nursery beginning in September. If you can serve in this way, please call the church office or talk to Barb Groundwater.**

**Please note: on September 7<sup>th</sup> our Service of Worship will start at 10:30 a.m.**

**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](mailto:mtviewteller@gmail.com)**

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

**September 3<sup>rd</sup>: Choir practice 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary**  
**September 8<sup>th</sup>: UCW 1:30 p.m. Parlour**  
**September 9<sup>th</sup>: Bible Study 1:00 P.m. Parlour**  
**September 9<sup>th</sup>: Finance meeting 7 p.m. Tellers Room**  
**September 10<sup>th</sup> Executive Council 1 p.m. Boardroom**  
**September 10<sup>th</sup> Scrapbooking 9:30 a.m. Boardroom**  
**September 11<sup>th</sup>: Parent/Child Night 5:30 p.m. Church Hall**  
**September 29<sup>th</sup> Book Club 1 p.m. the book is The Storied  
Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin.**  
**Intercultural Fellowship coming this fall.**

**Thank you to everyone who helped with the Yard Sale and  
Summer Cookout on August 16<sup>th</sup>. The Yard Sale made  
\$1,035.00.**