Mountain Diew United Church 85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost – August 31st, 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: Open My Eyes, That I May See VU 371

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me; place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.

Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.

Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear; and while the wavenotes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.

Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see. Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere; open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.

Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see. Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

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

With joy, we worship the One who conquered death and opened the way to life.

He commissions us to proclaim His love to all nations! Lift your voices in praise, for Jesus is with us, and His Spirit empowers us.

We worship with gladness, blessed by His promise and sent to share His gospel!

Come, let us celebrate the Lord who lives and reigns forever!

Alleluia! We worship and follow our risen Savior! Amen!

Hymn All Things Bright and Beautiful All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful: in love, God made them all.

- 1 Each little flower that opens,each little bird that sings,God made their glowing colours,God made their tiny wings. R
- The purpleheaded mountains, the river running by, the sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky; R
- The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun, the ripe fruits in the garden:

 God made them every one. R

- 4 The rocky mountain splendour, the lone wolf's haunting call, the great lakes and the prairies, the forest in the fall; R
- 5 God gave us eyes to see them,
 and lips that we might tell
 how great is God our maker,
 who has made all things well. R

Opening Prayer

Almighty and ever-living God, we gather in awe and joy, for Your Son, Jesus Christ. Open our eyes to see Him, our hearts to receive His peace, and our minds to understand the Scriptures fulfilled in Him. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit, that we may be bold witnesses of Your love and grace. Let this time of worship draw us closer to You, our risen Savior, and prepare us to carry Your good news to the world. 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: Receive Gods Power

Ministry Music

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, You sent Your Son to bring us peace and to commission us as witnesses of Your grace, yet we confess we often falter. We have doubted Your presence in our midst, clung to fear instead of faith, and hesitated to share Your gospel with others. Forgive us when we close our hearts to Your Word or shrink from Your call to proclaim repentance and forgiveness. By Your Holy Spirit, cleanse us, renew our courage, and restore our joy in Your salvation. Amen.

Scripture readings: Luke 24:36-49 read by Rev. Shaw

Message

Hymn I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me VU#575
Peace Like a River VU#577

- I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 2 I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
 I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

- I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
 I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 4 I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
 I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

Peace Like A River VU#577

- I've got peace like a river,
 I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.
 I've got peace like a river,
 I've got peace like a river,
 I've got peace like a river,
 I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.
- I've got joy like a fountain,
 I've got joy like a fountain,
 I've got joy like a fountain in-a my soul.
 I've got joy like a fountain,
 I've got joy like a fountain,
 I've got joy like a fountain in-a my soul.

I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean in-a my soul.
I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean in-a my soul.

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

May our gifts—of time, talent, and treasure—support the spread of Your gospel and the work of Your kingdom. Help us to give with the joy to bring hope and healing to the world. Bless these gifts and our lives as we seek to obey Your call. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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

Prayers of the People

Hymn We Shall Go Out With Hope of Resurrection VU 586

- 1 We shall go out with hope of resurrection;
 we shall go out, from strength to strength go on;
 we shall go out and tell our stories boldly;
 tales of a love that will not let us go.
 - We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted;
 we'll dream our dreams of hurts that can be healed;
 we'll weave a cloth of all the world united
 within the vision of new life in Christ.
- We'll give a voice to those who have not spoken;
 we'll find the words for those whose lips are sealed;
 we'll make the tunes for those who sing no longer,
 expressive love alive in every heart.
 - We'll share our joy with those who still are weeping,
 raise hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief,
 we'll leap and dance the resurrection story,
 including all in circles of our love.

Benediction

May the Lord bless you and keep you, empowering you to be His witnesses in the world, until He returns in glory. Go in His peace and power, now and forever. Amen.

Sung Benediction: VU 958 Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! (Hallelujah!)

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Postlude ttttttt

Today: Community Dinner Sunday, Volunteers are greatly appreciated. If you have any questions see Sheila Snider.

Please join us for "Welcome Back Sunday" on Sept. 7
at 10:30 am. as we welcome you back from summer
vacations and activities get underway for the fall. This
will also be the first day of Sunday School for children
4 – 12 years of age. Refreshments will be served following
the service including ice cream sundaes for the young
and young at heart.

<u>URGENT NEED</u> 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: Next Sunday on September 7th 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.

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

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

If you have any small prizes for kids games please bring them into the office for our Halloween Party.

Intercultural Fellowship coming this fall.