Mountain Diew United Church 85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3 19th Sunday after Pentecost –Oct. 19, 2025

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Gathering Music

Words of Welcome/Announcements

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

Gathering Song: This Is The Day VU 412

- This is the day, this is the day, that our God has made, that our God has made; we will rejoice, we will rejoice, and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that our God has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day that our God has made.
- Open to us, open to us, your gates, O God, your gates, O God; we will go in, we will go in, to your

holy place, to your holy place. Open to us your gates, O God, we will go in to your holy place. Open to us, open to us your gates, O God.

- You are our God, you are our God, we will praise your name, we will praise your name; we will give thanks, for your faithfulness, for your faithfulness. You are our God, we will praise your name, we will give thanks for your faithfulness. You are our God, you are our God, we will praise your name.
- This is the day, this is the day / that our God has made, that our God has made; we will rejoice, we will rejoice, and be glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that our God has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day, this is the day that our God has made.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We give thanks to the Lord, for all good things in creation come from God. We give thanks to the Lord, for all good things we will ever come to know is a gift from above. Ignite our thanksgiving this day.

Call to Worship

Come, people of God, rejoice in the Lord who pours out His Spirit!

We gather not to boast or perform, but to rest in God's abundant grace.

Let go of pride, set aside the need to be seen, and stand humbly before our Creator.

With open hearts, we come to worship, ready to receive His mercy and love.

Be glad and rejoice, for God is faithful, and His Spirit is here among us!

Let us worship in humility and truth!

Where Are We: All Saints Sunday

Opening Prayer:

Gracious and merciful God, You who send rain to the thirsty earth and Your Spirit to longing hearts, we come before You today seeking Your presence. Teach us to find joy in simply being Yours. Open our eyes to Your abundant gifts, and soften our hearts to pray with the humility. Free us from pride and fill us with Your love, that we may worship You fully, here and now. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen.

Hymn: Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ VU 573

- Eternal Spirit of the living Christ, I know not how to ask or what to say; I only know my need, as deep as life, and only you can teach me how to pray.
- 2 Come, pray in me the prayer I need this day; help me to see your purpose and your will, where I have failed, what I have done amiss; held in forgiving love, let me be still.
- 3 Come with the vision and the strength I need to serve my God, and all humanity; fulfillment of my life in love outpoured my life in you, O Christ, your love in me.

Children's Song: Like A Rock MV 92

Like a rock, like a rock, God is under our feet. Like the starry night sky, God is over our head. Like the sun on the horizon, God is ever before. Like the river runs to ocean, our home is in God evermore.

Children's Ministry: Rev. Jacob's Toy Bag

Ministry of Music: Choir

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we sought to elevate ourselves, comparing and competing, chasing the approval of others. We have traded the joy of Your presence for the fleeting thrill of being seen. Forgive us, Lord, for the times we've performed instead of prayed, for when we've sought likes instead of love. Have mercy on us, sinners, and draw us back to Your grace. Help us to live humbly, fully present to You and to one another. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

Scripture readings:

Joel 2:23-32 read by Régina Côté

²³Be glad, people of Zion, rejoice in the Lord your God, for he has given you the autumn rains he is faithful. He sends you abundant showers, both autumn and spring rains, as before. ²⁴ The threshing floors will be filled with grain; the vats will overflow with new wine and oil. ²⁵ "I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten— great locust and the young locust, other locusts and the locust swarm — my great army that I sent among you. ²⁶ You will have

plenty to eat, until you are full, and you will praise the name of the Lord your God, has worked wonders for you; never again will my people be shamed. ²⁷ Then you will know that I am in Israel, that I am the Lord your God, and that there is no other; never again will my people be shamed. ²⁸ "And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. ²⁹ Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days.³⁰ I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke. ³¹ The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord. ³² And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved; for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance, as the Lord has said, even among the survivors whom the Lord calls.

Luke 18:9-14 read by Rev. Jacob Shaw

⁹ To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else,

Jesus told this parable: ¹⁰ "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' ¹³ "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' ¹⁴ "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

Message

Hymn: Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive VU 364

- 1 'Forgive our sins as we forgive, you taught us, Christ, to pray; but you alone can grant us grace to live the words we say.
- How can your pardon reach and bless; the unforgiving heart that broods on wrongs, and will not let old bitterness depart?

- In blazing light your cross reveals the truth we dimly knew: what trivial debts are owed to us, how great our debt to you!
- 4 O cleanse the depths within our souls and bid resentment cease; then, bound to all in bonds of love, our lives will spread your peace.

Invitation to Share Offering Musical Offering

Offertory Prayer

Generous God, You pour out blessings beyond measure—Your Spirit, Your grace, Your love. As we bring our gifts today, we offer them not to boast or be seen, but in humble gratitude for all You have given us. May these offerings reflect the humility of the tax collector, trusting in Your mercy, and the abundance of Joel's promise, shared for Your glory. Use our gifts to spread Your love, that others may know the joy of living in Your presence. We pray in Christ's holy name. Amen.

Offering of Personal Prayers to God The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: When We Are Living VU 581

- When we are living, it is in Christ Jesus, and when we're dying, it is in the Lord. Both in our living and in our dying, we belong to God, we belong to God.
- Through all our living, we our fruits must give. Good works of service are for offering. When we are giving, or when receiving, we belong to God, we belong to God.
- 3 'Mid times of sorrow and in times of pain, when sensing beauty or in love's embrace, whether we suffer, or sing rejoicing, we belong to God, we belong to God.
- Across this wide world, we shall always find those who are crying with no peace of mind, but when we help them, or when we feed them, we belong to God, we belong to God.

Benediction

Go forth in the humility of the tax collector, knowing God's mercy is your strength. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all, now and forever. Amen.

Sung Benediction: May the God of Hope Go with Us VU 424

1 May the God of hope go with us every day, filling all our lives with love and joy and peace. May the God of justice speed us on our way, bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace, singing, share our joy with all, working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.

2 May the God of healing free the earth from fear, freeing us for peace, both treasured and pursued. May the God of love keep our commitment clear to a world restored, to human life renewed. R

Postlude



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletins today are to the Glory of God and In Loving Memory of Cindy Eagles placed by her sister-in-law Mary Allen.

This Week at Mountain View

Monday: Book Club 1:30 p.m. Parlour Tuesday: Bible Study 1:00 p.m. Parlour

Wednesday: Choir Practice 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary

Coming Up At Mountain View

Nov. 1st: Fall Fair 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Pancake breakfast - \$10.00 a plate (10 & under: free) Items still needed for Silent Auction, baking, jams & preserves, Attic Treasures, Christmas items, crafts, books, CDs, DVDs puzzles & games, jewelry, plants, etc. Letters for donation requests in the narthex.

Nov. 8th: Crafts & Baking Market 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Baked Goods or Snacks Needed for Coffee and Conversation.

Mountain View 75th Anniversary

November 15th: 5:00 p.m. Potluck and Hymn Sing **November 16th:** 10:30 a.m. Anniversary Service Stay tuned for more details to come!

Dec. 5th: Jonny & the MoonDawgs 7:00 p.m. Tickets \$20.00, now available in the office.

<u>Baptism/New Membership</u> – to take place November 16th, if you wish to join Mountain View or arrange Baptism, please call the office.

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

<u>Nursery Volunteers Needed</u> – we still need 2 volunteers for the nursery. If you can help with this, please see Barb Groundwater or call the church office.

Grocery Cards Available for Sobeys and Superstore (\$25, \$50 or \$100) every Sunday and can be purchased with cash, cheques, or e-transfer.

Superstore cards can also be used at Independent, No Frills, and Wholesalers Club.

Prayer Shawls Needed: We are seeking contributions of hand-knitted or crocheted prayer shawls for our ministry, which offers these tangible symbols of love and comfort to those in need. Patterns and brochures can be found in the Narthex

Coming Up in Our Community

October 28th: Halloween Muffin & Coffee Party at 9:30 – 11:00 a.m.; Mount Royal United Church, 106 Mount Royal Blvd. Moncton – Church Hall; Free Will Offering; Craft Items for Sale

November 1st: Indoor Yard Sale - St. John's United Church, 75 Alma St., Moncton (Karing Kitchen - Basement Entrance); 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Clothing, books, toys, linens, household and more.

November 14th/15th: Indoor Yard Sale – Friday 5:30-8:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00-11:00 a.m. – Mount Royal United Church, 106 Mount Royal Blvd. Moncton.

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