# Mountain View United Church 85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3 November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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: God is Here VU 389

- God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.
- Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace; here are table, font, and pulpit; here the cross has central place. Here in honesty of preaching, here in silence, as in speech, here, in

newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

- 3 Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold; here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us, as of old. Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore what it means in daily living to believe and to adore.
- God of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt keep us faithful to the gospel; help us work your purpose out. Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive; we, who cannot live without you, we adore you! We believe!

#### Lighting of the Christ Candle

We are a people who remember. We remember the gift of creation. We remember the history of our ancestors. We remember the revelation of God's light, love and sacrifice. We remember to carry all that God has given us like a light into the darkness.

#### Call to Worship

Come, people of God, and lift your hearts in worship.

We gather to seek the One who knows us by name.

On this day, we remember the faithful who trusted in God's promises.

Like them, we wait with hope and live by faith. Let us climb the sycamore tree of worship, eager to meet our Savior.

For Jesus comes to seek and save, and His vision will not delay.

Where Are We: 21st Sunday after Pentecost

#### **Opening Prayer:**

Gracious and faithful God, You are the One who sees us, calls us by name, and holds us in Your eternal love. We give You thanks for the lives of those who have gone before us, whose patience and faithfulness inspire us to trust in Your promises. As we gather in Your presence, open our hearts to Your Word, strengthen us to wait with hope, and guide us to seek You with courage. Through Jesus Christ, our Savior, we pray. Amen.

Hymn: Let There Be Light VU 679

- 1 Let there be light, let there be understanding, let all the nations gather, let them be face to face;
- 2 open our lips, open our minds to ponder, open the door of concord opening into grace;
- 3 perish the sword, perish the angry judgement, perish the bombs and hunger, perish the fight for gain;
- 4 hallow our love, hallow the deaths of martyrs, hallow their holy freedom, hallowed be your name;
- 5 your kingdom come, your spirit turn to language, your people speak together, your spirit never fade;
- 6 let there be light; open our hearts to wonder, perish the way of terror, hallow the world God made.

#### 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**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, we confess that we grow weary in waiting for Your justice and peace. Forgive us when our patience falters and our faith wavers. Cleanse us from selfishness and renew our trust in Your vision. On this All Souls Day, we seek Your mercy, remembering those who turned to You in faith. Help us to follow their example, living with courage and hope. In the name of Jesus, who seeks and saves the lost, we pray. Amen.

#### **Scripture readings:**

#### Habakkuk 1:1-4 read by TJ Munikwa

- <sup>1</sup> The prophecy that Habakkuk the prophet received.
- <sup>2</sup> How long, Lord, must I call for help, but you do not listen?
- Or cry out to you, "Violence!" but you do not save?
- <sup>3</sup> Why do you make me look at injustice? Why do you tolerate wrongdoing?
- Destruction and violence are before me; there is strife, and conflict abounds.
- <sup>4</sup> Therefore the law is paralyzed, and justice never prevails.
- The wicked hem in the righteous, so that justice is perverted.

#### Luke 19:1-10 read by Rev. Jacob Shaw

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. <sup>2</sup> A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy. <sup>3</sup> He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. <sup>4</sup> So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

- <sup>5</sup> When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today." <sup>6</sup> So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.
- <sup>7</sup> All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner."
- <sup>8</sup> But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount."
- <sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. <sup>10</sup> For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

#### Message

#### Hymn: One Bread, One Body VU 467

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless; and we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

- 1 Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. R
- 2 Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. R
- 3 Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all. R

#### **Communion (See Insert)**

# **Invitation to Share Offering Musical Offering**

#### **Offertory Prayer**

Generous God, You have given us Your Son, who calls us by name and invites us into Your kingdom. Bless these offerings, that they may bring Your hope and love to a waiting world. Teach us to give with patience and faith, trusting in Your provision. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

#### Offering of Personal Prayers to God

#### Hymn: Jesus Bids Us Shine VU 585

- I Jesus bids us shine with a pure, clear light, like a little candle burning in the night. In this world is darkness, so let us shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.
- Jesus bids us shine first of all for him; well he sees and knows it if our light grows dim: Jesus walks beside us to help us shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.
- Jesus bids us shine, then, for all around; many kinds of darkness in the world are found: sin, and want and sorrow; so we must shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.

#### **Benediction**

Go forth in the peace of Christ, who sees you and calls you by name and may the love of God, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forever. Amen.

#### Sung Benediction: Take Up His Song MV 213

1. 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.
- 2. Take up his song of hope and go into the world. Take up his song of hope in ev'ry moment. In ev'ry moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives; lay them down, in hope, lay them down, and take up his song.
- 3. Take up his song of faith and go into the world. Take up his song of faith in ev'ry moment. In ev'ry moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives; lay them down, in faith, lay them down, and take up his song.
- 4. Take up his song of love and go into the world. Take up his song of love in ev'ry moment. In ev'ry moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives; lay them down, in love, lay them down, and take up his song.

#### **Postlude**

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please join us after service today for Coffee and Conversation in the Church Hall.

#### This Week at Mountain View

Tuesday: Bible Study; 1:00 p.m. Parlour

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

#### **Coming Up At Mountain View**

Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>: Crafts & Baking Market

8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Free Admission

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

# Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>: Memorial Angel Sunday

Bring in an angel to be placed on the Christmas Tree in the Sanctuary during Service. Call the office by Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> with the name of who your Angel is In Memory of and who it is placed by which will be read out during the Service. You can collect your angel on Christmas Eve to return home to your own tree.

### Dec. 14th: White Gift Sunday

Please bring a non-perishable donation for the food bank, or a gift for a child, to Service and we will distribute to those in need.

#### Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>: Blue Christmas Service 7:00 p.m.

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

## Mountain View 75th Anniversary

November 15<sup>th</sup>: 5:00 p.m. Potluck & Hymn Sing November 16<sup>th</sup>: 10:30 a.m. Anniversary Service

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

Nursery Volunteers Needed — we still need 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. Large or small, we will take them all! Patterns and brochures can be found in the Narthex

#### **Coming Up in Our Community**

**November 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>:** 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.

**November 15<sup>th</sup>:** Chirstmas Bazaar – 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. – St. John the Baptist Angican Church ACW 28 Woolridge Street, Riverview. Bazaar and Kitchen; Free Admission.

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