Mountain Diew United Church 85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3 November 16th, 2025



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Gathering Music & Slides of Years Gone By

Hymn: Let us Build A House MV 1 (vv. 1-3)

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; Here the love of Christ shall end divisions: All are welcome,

- All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
- 2. Let us build a house where prophets speak, And words are strong and true, Where all God's children dare to seek To dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness And as symbol of God's grace; Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: All are welcome, All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
- 3. Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet. Here the love of god through Jesus, is revealed in time and space; as we share in Christ the feast that frees us: All are welcome, All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Words of Welcome

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

Announcements

Message for our 100 Year Anniversary

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, let us gather as one family in Christ, celebrating 75 years of God's faithful presence among us!

From the first gathering in 1950, through seasons of joy and trial, growth and renewal, the Lord has been our shepherd, our strength, and our song. He called us into being, sustained us by His Word, and poured out His Spirit to empower every generation that has worshiped within these walls and beyond.

Lift up your hearts! We lift them up to the Lord!

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;

His steadfast love endures forever!

With voices young and old, with memories cherished and hopes yet unborn, we praise the God who was, who is, and who is to come. May this 75th anniversary be a fresh consecration: to love Him more deeply, serve Him more boldly, and proclaim His gospel until He returns.

Let us worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness! And all the people said... **Amen**

Where Are We: Proper 28/Anniversary Sunday

Hymn: Will You Come and Follow MeVU 567

- 1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and never be the same? Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?
- 2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same? Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare? Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?
- 3. Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name? Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same? Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen, and admit to what I mean in you and you

in me?

- 4. Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around, through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
- 5. Christ, your summons echoes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and follow you and never be the same. In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show. Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Opening Prayer:

O God of every generation, who planted this congregation seventy-five years ago and has nurtured it through decades of grace, we draw near to You today with hearts full of wonder and gratitude.

You have walked with us through times of building and breaking, of laughter and lament, weaving Your purposes into every chapter of our story. By Your Spirit, You have kindled faith in the young, steadied hope in the weary, and bound us together as living stones in Christ's Church.

Receive our praise, renew our vision, and set our faces toward the future You are preparing. We offer this prayer in the matchless name of Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Rev. Jacob Shaw: We move into the sacrament of Baptism. Sisters and Brothers, let us celebrate God's gift of grace given to us in the sacrament of Baptism. As Romans, chapter 6 explains: What shall we say then? Shall we go on sinning that grace may increase? By no means! We are those who have died of sin; how can we live in it any longer? Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore, we were buried with him through baptism into death so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. Brothers and sisters in Christ, this sacrament is an affirmation of the life solely gained through faith in Jesus Christ.

Clerk of Session: On behalf of the congregation of Mountain View United Church, I present the following

persons for initiation into the body of Christ through baptism: Benjamin Clifford MacArthur, Emma Grace MacArthur, Callie Quinn MacArthur.

Rev. Jacob: Words of Faith

To our baptismal candidates and their parents:

Do you believe in one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? If so say, I do, by the grace of God.

Desiring the freedom of new life in Christ, do you seek to resist evil, and to live in love and justice? If so say, **I do, God being my helper.**

Have you turned to Jesus Christ and accepted him as Saviour and Lord? If so say, I have, by the grace of God.

To the parents of the nominated children:

In baptism, your children will mark an important step in their journey of faith. Will you care for them, and help them to take their place within the mission and witness of Christ' Church? I will, God being my helper

Will you share your faith with your children, growing with them in faith, hope, and love? I will, God being my helper

Will you pray for your children, encourage them by your words and actions, and walk with them in the ways of Jesus? I will, God being my helper

To the congregation:

Let us pledge to these persons our support and care. As a baptized and baptizing people, we commit ourselves to support and uphold you within the community of faith.

May God grant us all the grace to live out our baptism. **Amen.**

Preparing the waters for baptism.

Rev. Jacob pours out the water - All Pray:

Blessed are You, O God, King of the Universe, Maker of heaven and earth, sea and sky. In the beginning, Your Spirit was at work over the waters at creation's birth, and You have continued to bless us through water by cleansing,

quenching, and liberating ways. In the fullness of time, you gave Jesus to us, nurtured in the waters of Mary's womb, baptized in the waters of the River Jordan, giver of living water, wellspring of eternal life. Pour out, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon this water, that this font may become a font of blessing and a source of Your grace. All glory, praise, and honour be to you, now and forever. Amen.

Words of Baptism, Blessing, and marked with the sign of the cross: Benjamin Clifford MacArthur, Emma Grace MacArthur, Callie Quinn MacArthur

Laying of Hands and Congregational Blessing

Benjamin, Emma and Callie may the power of the Holy Spirit work within you, that being born of water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful witness of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Presentation of Children to Congregation

Ministry of Music

Membership Liturgy:

Rev. Jacob Shaw: The church is a community of people with varied gifts, united by the Holy Spirit. We gather to celebrate God's presence, welcome the revelation of God's truth, and follow the way of Jesus Christ, our Lord. By our baptism, we are made members of Christ's church. We exercise this membership which for us is The United Church of Canada, and within the context of a local community of faith. We welcome into this congregation those who are already member of the church of Jesus Christ.

Clerk of Session: On behalf of Mountain View United Church congregation, I present the following persons whom we welcome into the membership of this community of faith:

Allen Marshall and Jean Marshall

Pastor 'Olawale Abiodun "Isaiah" Agboola and Aanoluwapo "Esther" Agboola and their children Ezekiel Oreofeoluwa Agboola and Elizabeth Ifedolapo Agboola **Rev. Jacob Shaw:** We as a community welcome you to reaffirm the faith of your baptism.

To the congregation and nominees for membership:

Do you believe in one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? If so say, **I do, by the grace of God.**

Desiring the freedom of new life in Christ, do you seek to resist evil, and to live in love and justice? If so say, **I** do, God being my helper.

Have you turn to Jesus Christ and accepted him as Saviour and Lord? If so say, I have, by the grace of God.

Nominees, will you join with us as brothers and sisters in this congregation to share in the life, work, and ministry of Jesus Christ? If so say, I will, God being my helper.

To the pre-existing congregation:

Do you pledge our support and care to all of our nominees? As your brothers and sisters in Christ, we rejoice in the gifts you bring to us. We pledge to you our love and our support. With God's help, we

will together live out the mission and ministry of Christ.

Rev. Jacob Shaw: Let us formally welcome our brothers and sisters in Christ as members of this local body of God's church!

Presentation of Gifts and Certificates

Children's Song: I've Got The Joy

- 1. I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart (Where!?). Down in my heart, (where) down in my heart, I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart (Where!?) down in my heart to stay.
- R. And I'm so happy, so very happy, I've got the love of Jesus in my heart And I'm so happy, so very happy, I've got the love of Jesus in my heart.
- 2. I've got the love of Jesus down in my heart (where!?) Down in my heart, (where?) Down in my heart I've got the love of Jesus down in my heart (where!?) down in my heart to stay. R.

Scripture reading: Matthew 5:13-16

read by Debbie Ellison

¹³ "You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Reflection & Children's Ministry:

Rev. Jacob's Toybag

Hymn: My Love Colours Outside the Lines MV 138

- 1. My love colours outside the lines, exploring paths that few could ever find; and takes me into places where I've never been before, and opens doors to worlds outside the lines.
- 2. My Lord colours outside the lines, turns wounds to

blessings, water into wine; and takes me into places where I've never been before and opens doors to worlds outside the lines.

- R: We'll never walk on water if we're not prepared to drown, body and soul need a soaking from time to time. And we'll never move the grave-stones if we're not prepared to die, and realize there are worlds outside the lines.
- 3. My soul longs to colour outside the lines, tear back the curtains, sun, come in and shine; I want to walk beyond the boundaries where I've never been before, throw open the doors to the worlds outside the lines.

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- 4. My soul longs to colour outside the lines, tear back the curtains, sun, come in and shine; I want to walk beyond the boundaries where I've never been before, throw open the doors to the worlds outside the lines.

Invitation to Share Offering

Musical Offering

Offertory Prayer

Generous Father, whose giving knows no end, we

bring before You symbols of our trust, the offerings of a people who have known Your provision for seventy-five years. As You have poured out blessings— in seasons of abundance and in times of need— so teach us to open our hands with joy, to give as those who have first received, and to invest in the work that outlives us. Bless these gifts, multiply their reach, and use them to feed the hungry, shelter the stranger, and proclaim the gospel of Christ. Amen.

Offering of Personal Prayers to God Lord's Prayer

Hymn: Amazing Grace VU 266

- 1. Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.
- 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

- 3. Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come; 'tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
- 4. The Lord has promised good to me, this word my hope secures; God will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.
- 5. When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

Spoken Benediction: Now may the God who launched this fellowship seventy-five years ago, who has carried it through every storm and sunrise, send you out as bearers of the same unchanging grace. Go in the peace of Christ, strengthened by the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, equipped to love, to serve, and to witness until the day we gather at His throne. And may the blessing of the Father, the grace of the Son, and the power of the Spirit rest upon you and remain with you, now and forevermore. Amen.

Benediction: Let Us Build a House MV 1 (v.1, 4 & 5)

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safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; Here the love of Christ shall end divisions: All are welcome, All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

- 4. Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger Bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: All are welcome, All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
- 5. Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: All are welcome, All are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletins today are in loving memory of Mabel Leaman, Charter Member of Mountain View. Fondly remembered by the Leaman grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Join us in the church hall following Worship for Coffee, Conversation, and Cake!

If you or you know someone that would like a home or hospital visit from Rev. Shaw please contact the church office. Please note that due to hospital policy, Rev. Shaw is unable to visit patients without an express request from the patient or their next-of-kin. Home visits and/or phone calls can also be arranged by advising the office.

This Week at Mountain View

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

Finance Meeting 7:00 p.m. Board Room

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

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

Coming Up at Mountain View

Nov. 24th: Book Club 1:30 p.m. Parlour

This month's book is The Spirit of Scaterie by Leslie Crewe. All welcome!

Dec. 5th: Jonny & the MoonDawgs 7:00 p.m.

Tickets \$20.00, now available in the office.

Dec. 7th: Memorial Angel Sunday

Bring an angel to be placed on the Christmas Tree in the Sanctuary during Service. Contact the office by Nov. 28th 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. 21st: Blue Christmas Service 7:00 p.m.

Join us for a contemplative service on the longest night of the year. Our service is designed to create space for the acknowledgment of the heaviness often carried during the holiday season, offering hope that Jesus gives.

Dec. 24th: Christmas Eve Service 6:30 p.m.

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.

<u>Prayer Shawls Needed</u>: We are seeking 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. Completed shawls can be dropped off to the church office or to our Sunday greeters.

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