

TOPSAIL UNITED CHURCH

"The Church by the Side of the Road"

Fully accessible for people with physical disabilities

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"The Mission of Topsail United Church is:

- To offer to all the opportunity to come to know God as revealed in Jesus Christ;
- To grow in faith through worship, study and prayer;
- To care for each other and all of God's creation; and
- To encourage and empower each other to use our talents within the Church."

Ministers:

The Congregation

Clergy:

Rev. Bruce Kearley

Congregational Designated Minister:

Steven Rogers

Organist:

Beth Cranston

Choir Director:

Andrew Cranston

Choir:

Male Choir

Office Manager:

Lynn Mercer

Caretaker:

Roger Richards

April 14th, 2013
3rd of Easter

SERVICE NOTE

WELCOME! There is something very daring and controversial in living out the gospel restoration and reconciliation. If we are made whole by the grace and love of God then our invitation is to live that relationship in community. (Ecumenical Prayer Calendar: Japan, North Korea, South Korea, Taiwan)

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

THE MUSICAL PRELUDE:

INTROIT: "For Those Tears I Died" (#436 HFG – Marsha Stevens)

CALL TO WORSHIP: (responsive – Seasons of the Spirit based on Psalm 30)

One: Compassionate God, we have cried to you for help

All: **and you have heard us.**

One: Sing praises to our God, O you faithful ones

All: **we will give thanks to God's holy name.**

One: God, you have turned our mourning into dancing

All: **you have removed our sackcloth and clothed us in joy.**

One: May our souls praise you

All: and not be silent.

One: Holy One,

All: we will give thanks to you forever.

One: Come, let us worship God.

CONGREGATION SINGS:

Come children, join to sing: Hallelujah!

Praise to our Servant King: Hallelujah!

Let all with heart and voice,

saved by God's gracious choice,

Now in this place rejoice: Hallelujah!

WORDS OF WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK:

PRAYER OF APPROACH: (In Unison)

Welcoming God, may our welcome to others be as great as yours
has been to us:

to those who are hungry, may we offer bread;

to those who are broken, may we offer healing;

to those who are lost, may we offer nourishment;

to those who are doubting, a new adventure.

May this place be a place of grace where what is offered is served
to others, trusting in your redeeming love. Amen.

HYMN: #597 "Simon, Simon ..."

TALK TIME:

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING:

Psalms 30 (#757 – God turned my mourning into dancing.)

John 21: 1-19 (Jesus appears to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberias.)

ANTHEM: "There is a balm in Gilead" (Traditional Spiritual)

SERMON: "The Call Continued"

HYMN: #562 "Jesus Calls us ..."

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION:

OFFERTORY

Your work, O God, needs many hands to help you everywhere,
And some there are who cannot serve unless our gifts we share.
Because we love you and your work, our offering now we make:
Be pleased to use it as your own, we ask for Jesus' sake.

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER:

HYMN: #563 "Jesus, You Have Come To the Lakeshore"

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:

CHORAL BENEDICTION: "God Be With You"

MUSICAL POSTLUDE:

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