

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."
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| - Ministers: | The Congregation |
| - Clergy: | Rev. Bruce Kearley |
| - Guest Clergy: | Rev. Bill Williams |
| - Congregational Designated Minister: | Steven Rogers |
| - Organist: | Beth Cranston |
| - Choir Director: | Andrew Cranston |
| - Choir: | Senior Choir |
| - Office Manager: | Lynn Mercer |
| - Caretaker: | Roger Richards |
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September 29th, 2013

19th after Pentecost

SERVICE NOTE

WELCOME! Ten lepers ask Jesus for mercy. Jesus sent them to the priests and as they went they were cleansed. But only one returned to praise God for the healing received. "Where are the nine?" asked Jesus. The lesson is this: Have faith that your prayer will be answered, and in faith thank God for the mercy you received.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

THE MUSICAL PRELUDE:

INTROIT: "Jesus Remember Me" (#148)

CALL TO WORSHIP: (responsive – "When We Gather")

One: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth. Sing glory to God and praise the Lord!

All: Come and see what God has done: how awesome the deeds among people.

One: Bless the Lord, O people, let the sound of God's praise be heard.

All: Truly God has listened, he has given heed to the words of my prayer.

One: Let us worship God!

CONGREGATION SINGS:

Joyful, joyful we adore you God of glory, life and love,
hearts unfold like flowers before you opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away,
giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

WORDS OF WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK:

PRAYER OF APPROACH: (In Unison – “When We Gather”)

We come within the gates of your heavenly dominion and enter your courts to give you our praise. You are God whose splendor fills the temple; our eyes behold the signs of your steadfast love. Your works are wondrous and worthy of tribute; hear our rejoicing as we lift before you glad adoration. Amen.

HYMN: #625 “I Feel The Winds of God”

TALK TIME:

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING:

Luke 17: 11-19

ANTHEM: “Like A River Of Tears” (MV - #98)

SERMON: “Giving Thanks”

HYMN: #220 “Praise To the Lord ...”

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: (In unison – "When We Gather")

God of goodness, you bind up the wounds of the afflicted. We come with thanksgiving for your boundless acts of mercy. Receive now our offerings. Use them to heal suffering, to shelter the homeless, to comfort the lonely, and to make whole once again those whose lives are broken. We give what we have in the name of Christ, who gave to all who believe, the gift of hope. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER:

HYMN: #567 "Will You Come and Follow Me"

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:

CHORAL BENEDICTION: "The Church is Wherever God's People" #579

MUSICAL POSTLUDE:

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

Today's bulletin has been dedicated to the glory of God and donated

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*In celebration and thanksgiving
for a wonderful mother*

Georgina Eveleigh

on the occasion of her 95th birthday

Love Rosalind, Gloria & families

A reception is being held in the Church Hall from 2 pm. to 4 pm.

Best Wishes Only