TOPSAIL UNITED CHURCH

"The Church by the Side of the Road"
Fully accessible for people with physical disabilities

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Office Telephone: 834-4567, Hours: Mon. – Fri. 9-1 Fax: 834-6200 "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
Office Manager: Lynn Mercer
Caretaker: Roger Richards

Caretaker: Youth Band Director: Vocal Director:

Vocal Director: Rosalind Foley
Musical Ensembles: Children's Choir, Youth Band

Brett Vev.

Rhythm Band

January 18, 2015

SERVICE NOTE

WELCOME! As the eagle stirs her young out to flight, so we are pressed to move beyond our comfort zone to daring new heights.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

THE MUSICAL PRELUDE:

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive)

One: Dig, dig deep for the courage that comes from the Source.

All: God is the source of our strength and our courage, of whom shall we be afraid?

One: Dare, dare to face your brokenness, your anxieties, and your fears.

All: God is the source of our strength and our courage, of whom shall we be afraid?

One: See, see all that you are and all that you are called to be.

All: God is the source of our strength and our courage, of whom shall we be afraid? Thanks be to God!

CONGREGATION SINGS:

Here in this place Filled with your grace We find our place O sacred space

WORDS OF WELCOME | CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK:

BAPTISM HYMN: #366 "Like A Child"

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

One: Let us celebrate the gift of grace given to us in the Sacrament of Baptism.

All: There is one body and one spirit; we have one hope in Christ.

One: There is one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God, Creator of us all.

All: Out of the waters of Baptism, we rise with new life, forgiven, renewed, and one with Christ, members of Christ's body.

INTRODUCTION & VOWS

One: Let us pledge to these persons our support and care.

All: As a Baptized and Baptizing church, 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.

STATEMENT OF FAITH: The Creed - #918 Voices United

THE BAPTISM

HYMN: #421 "Lead On, O Cloud of Presence"

TALK TIME

ANTHEM: "I See Your True Colours"

SCRIPTURE READING:

Isaiah 40: 28-31 Luke 9: 57-62

MUSICAL PRESENTATION: "Standing Outside the Fire"

REFLECTION

PRAYER:

O God, we are gathered here under the shelter of your wings, nurtured by your motherly love, and encouraged to fly by faith on the wind of your spirit. You have spoken to us, saying "They that wait upon the Lord, shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings as eagles." Help us to see the nest not as a fortress behind which to hide, but as a perch from which to take off. Encourage us to fly beyond the comfort of the nest to new horizons, and strengthen us with the assurance that we do not fly alone. This we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.

HYMN: #625 "I Feel the Winds of God"

OFFERTORY

Love is something if you give it away, give it away, give it away Love is something if you give it away, you'll end up having more It's just like a magic penny, hold on tight and you won't have any Lend it, spend it, and you'll have so many – they'll roll all over the floor! Love is something if you give it away, give it away, give it away Love is something if you give it away, you'll end up having more

OFFERTORY PRAYER

HYMN: [Insert] "Launch Out!"

CHORAL BENEDICTION: "I am Amazing"

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MUSICAL POSTLUDE:



GOD BLESS THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Today we are pleased to welcome into membership of our Church family, through The Sacrament of Baptism;

Nate Logan Smith

Son of Jocelyn Shaw & Kurtis Smith of Paradise, NL.

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

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

In loving memory of our dear Mother

Ethel Somerton
by the family

In loving memory and thanksgiving for the lives of our parents,

Tena & Stewart

&

Vera & Rod Stephan

by Larry & Lynn

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