# TOPSAIL UNITED CHURCH

"The Church by the Side of the Road"

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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: Senior Choir Office Manager: **Lvnn Mercer** Caretaker: Roger Richards

> June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 5<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost

#### **SERVICE NOTE**

WELCOME – God of holy reach and saving grace, spur us to seek healing and community. Help us to do so for ourselves, in those places that break us down or keep us at arm's length. Help us to do so for others, who wait on a word or touch that makes us whole and restores. Amen.

# **WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

#### THE MUSICAL PRELUDE:

**INTROIT:** "Body, Mind and Spirit" (MV153)

"Ode To Newfoundland" (Moment of Silence)

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** (responsive)

One: The church is called to be the model of God's love in the world,

All: love by its nature is risky business,

One: and so we come to worship today to gather the strength to be risk takers

All: standing with those who are excluded,

One: advocating for those who cannot speak for themselves,

All: bringing healing to the infirm.

One: Let us worship God!

### **CONGREGATION SINGS:**

As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you, You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship you. You alone are my strength, my shield, to you alone may my spirit yield, You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you!

#### WORDS OF WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK:

**OPENING PRAYER:** (in unison)

Loving God, you call us to deep involvement in the world, so today we come seeking to strengthen our relationship with you and our knowledge of how best to be your people. Be with us we pray. Amen

**HYMN:** #374 "Come and Find the Quiet Centre"

# TALK TIME:

# SERVICES OF DEDICATION

# **DEDICATION OF PEW BIBLES:**

#### Presentation:

In memory of loved ones, we present these bibles to be dedicated to the glory and praise of God.

### Response to presentation:

With gratitude, we accept these Bibles. We will care for them, and we will use them reverently.

### Prayer of Dedication: (In unison)

Gracious God, you satisfy the hunger in our hearts with the nourishment of your Word. Fill us with the faith of the gospel, that we may be strong to walk in the ways of Christ, eager to listen for his voice, and ready to respond to his Spirit. Amen.

#### Words of Dedication:

One: In the name of the holy and triune God: Creator, Christ, and Spirit, with gratitude and reverence, for the beauty of this

holy place and for the sake of all God's people, and in memory of loved ones,

All: we dedicate these Bibles to the glory of God!

## Prayer of Thanksgiving:

One: Let us pray. Creator God, source of all inspiration and beauty. We thank you for the gift of these Bibles now dedicated to

the glory of your name.

All: May your Holy spirit guide us in reverent and loving use of all things, remembering always your great gift to us,

Jesus Christ, your Son, our Saviour. Amen.

# **DEDICATION OF CANADIAN FLAG**

In the name of God; creator and sustainer of life - we present & dedicate this flag as a daily reminder of the blessings of our freedom and peace. As a nation may we continue to be a beacon of hope, help and peace in the world.

- SILENCE -

# WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

#### SCRIPTURE READING:

Psalm 130 (#853, VU) Mark 5: 21-43

**ANTHEM:** "It is Right" (Ron Klusmeier)

SERMON: "What We Do"

**HYMN:** #678 "For the Healing of the Nations"

# **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

#### MINUTE FOR MISSION:

OFFERTORY: VU #540)

Grant Us, God, the grace of giving, with a spirit large and free, that ourselves and all our living, we may offer faithfully.

# **OFFERTORY PRAYER:** (in unison)

These gifts are proof that risk taking can have an impact on our world, as this money makes its way to people and organizations that are involved in bringing good news to all. We give gladly. Amen.

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER:

**HYMN:** #602 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

#### COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:

Singing of "O Canada" & "God Save The Queen"

CHORAL BENEDICTION: "You Shall Go Out With Joy" (VU884)

MUSICAL POSTLUDE:

# **TO THE GLORY OF GOD**

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

In loving memory of **Bessie Andrews**by daughter Blanche, son Mervin, Susan & Family