

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
- Office Manager:	Nicole Ivey-Cross
- Caretaker:	Roger Richards
- You Band Director:	Brett Vey
- Musical Ensemble:	Youth Band & Children's Choir

October 18th, 2015

21st after Pentecost

WELCOME TO ALL AS WE WORSHIP TOGETHER

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

THE MUSICAL PRELUDE: "Youth Band"

CALL TO WORSHIP: (responsive)

One: In faith we call out to God.

All: We long to be near you, O God.

One: In faith we call out for God's healing touch.

All: We long to be near you, O God.

One: In faith we call out for a foundation that cannot be shaken.

All: We long to be near you, O God.

One: Come, let us worship God!

CONGREGATION SINGS: "Follow, Follow, I will follow Jesus"

WORDS OF WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK:

OPENING PRAYER: (in unison)

Loving God, how great are the works of your hands! In wisdom you have made them all. In faith, we come near to you in worship. Bless us with the power of your Spirit and hear our call to you. Amen.

Choir: "Inch by Inch"

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 (VU #918)

THE BAPTISM

WE LISTEN & RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING:

Psalm 34

Matthew 13: 1-6, 18-23

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: "The Seeds I Sow" (band original)

REFLECTION: *"Abundant Possibilities"*

HYMN: #401 "Worship The Lord" (vs 1-3)

OFFERTORY: (During the Offering – “Twinkle Little Star”)

OFFERING SONG:

Love is something if you give it away, give it away, give it away
Love is something if you give it away, you 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 end up having more

OFFERTORY PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN: “There Will be Showers Of Blessing” (printed below)

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:

CHORAL BENEDICTION:

MUSICAL POSTLUDE:

GOD BLESS THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

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

Claire Theresa Grant

daughter of Jon and Natalie Grant of CBS, NL.

There shall be showers of blessing;
This is the promise of love;
There shall be seasons refreshing,
Sent from the Savior above.

Refrain

*Showers of blessing,
Showers of blessing we need:
Mercy drops round us are falling,
But for the showers we plead.*
There shall be showers of blessing,
Precious reviving again;
Over the hills and the valleys,
Sound of abundance of rain.

Refrain

There shall be showers of blessing;
Send them upon us, O Lord;
Grant to us now a refreshing,
Come, and now honor Thy Word.

Refrain

There shall be showers of blessing:
Oh, that today they might fall,
Now as to God we're confessing,
Now as on Jesus we call!

Refrain

There shall be showers of blessing,
If we but trust and obey;
There shall be seasons refreshing,
If we let God have His way.

Refrain