TOPSAIL UNITED CHURCH

"The Church by the Side of the Road"

179th Anniversary

Celebration Service

Sunday, November 13, 2016 @ 10:30 a.m.

Minister: Rev. Bruce Kearley Youth Program Coordinator: Heather Cronhelm

Organist: Beth Cranston

Choir Director: Andrew Cranston

Musical Ensembles: Mixed Choir Men's Choir

Andrew & Beth Cranston (with

the choirs)

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Service note

For the healing of the nations,
God, we pray with one accord;
For a just and equal sharing
Of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love in action
Help us rise and pledge our word.
(Voices United #678)

THE MUSICAL PRELUDE

INTROIT: The Church by the Side of the Road

Call To Worship:

One: We enter this sanctuary, as those before us have done, to worship and serve you.

All: With waiting hearts we come to worship.

One: We enter this sanctuary, as those before us have done, dependent on your Spirit to be with us in

our thoughts and feelings.

All: With waiting hearts we come to worship.

One: We enter this sanctuary, as those before us have done, to grow as the Body of Christ.

All: With waiting hearts we come to worship.

One: Let us worship God!

Congregation Sings:

Praise, my soul, the God of heaven, glad of heart your carols raise; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, should sing God's praise.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Praise the Maker all your days!

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK

OPENING PRAYER: (unison)

O God, whose Eternal Word became flesh and lived among us, we thank you for all your blessings. O God, in this 179th Anniversary Celebration worship, grant us calmness and quietness of spirit, that we might know your grace; through Jesus Christ, the Light of the World. AMEN!

HYMN: #395 "Part of the Family"

TALK TIME:

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: "Here I am, Lord" Mixed Choir

In loving memory of grandparents

Harold & Ethel Somerton

by Deena, Adam & McKenzie Fagan

In loving memory of **loved ones** by Ken & Doreen Cave

In loving memory of nan & pop *Harold & Ethel Somerton & uncles Les Stokes & Graham Mercer* by Darren Richards

In loving memory of *family & friends* by Ruth Jesseau & family

In loving memory of *Arthur Reid* by wife Elsie, daughters Sharon & Lisa & son Sean & their families

In loving memory of a wonderful mother & father *Hazel & Monroe Mercer & Uncle Jack Mercer* by Lynn, John, Jonathon, Ashlee & family

In loving memory of *Alexander Goulding & Michelle Barron (Goulding)*by Elsie Goulding & Family

In loving memory of *loved ones* by John & Marie Rixon

In loving memory of *Eugene Lundrigan* by Ryan, Jennifer & Kaitlin Barnes

In loving memory of **Amy Penney** by husband Pearce & family

In loving memory of husband *Les Stokes* by wife Eleanor

In loving memory of mother *Lorraine Parsons, brother Brent and grandparents* by Ray & Bev Stockwood

In loving memory of our son and brother *Paul Kennedy* by mom & dad, sisters Jacqui, Karen, Judi & Beverly

In loving memory of *Fred Button & Catherine Button*by Betty Button

In loving memory of **husband Jim & parents Gideon & Blanche Stockwood** by Jean Mansbridge

In loving memory of *Gustav Frey, Donald Richards and Laura (Decker) Richards*by Rosie Frey, Don, Mark and Scott Richards

In loving memory of *Capt. John & Luella Blackwood & Dr. John and Gwendelyn Burke*by Elva & Glynn Burke

In loving memory of

Parents Bill & Violet LeDrew, Rev. Samuel & Millicent Grandy, Sister-in law-Noreen LeDrew, Brother Dr. Tom Grandy & Son-in-law Clarence Squires

by the family

In loving memory of *Ralph Horwood (Father) & Eleanor & Hayward Pelley (Grandparents)* by Jason, Tonya, Alex & Avery Pelley

In loving memory of *Ford Taylor* by Don & Helen Goudie

In loving memory of a husband, father & grandfather *Leonard Mercer* by Alma, children and grandchildren

In loving memory of *William "Junior" Loveys*by Lorie and Delaney Dinn

In loving memory of *Albert Humby* by wife Ida and family

In loving memory of brother, brother-in-law and Uncle **Scott King** by Debbie, Bob, Sheri and Gregory

In loving memory of *Herman Humby* by wife Pearl and Family

In loving memory of *Chesley & Emma Dawe & Family* by Eva Blakey

In loving memory of *Laura LeGrow* by husband Ed & daughter Marilyn

In loving memory of *Andrew Grandy, Jean Cox, Annie & Roy Yetman* by Tom, Suzette, Kaitlyn and Karlee Grandy

In loving memory of *George & Mary Cooze & Whyman & Doris Chaulk* by Baxter & Ina Cooze

In loving memory of *Rosalind Purchase* by husband Fred, daughters Nancy & Tracy

LIGHTING OF THE MEMORIAL CANDLE

One: We light this memorial candle in memory of our loved ones and friends who once shared our lives and now live in our hearts.

(Moment of silence)

LIGHTING OF CELEBRATION CANDLE

One: We light this celebration of life candle in thanksgiving of life's blessings each day.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: "How Deep the Father's Love for us" Mixed Choir

In loving memory of **Bert & Leona Churchill** by Eleanor Stokes

In loving memory of **Bert & Leona Churchill** by children, grandchildren & great grandchildren

In loving memory of *Benjamin, Howard & Jane* by Barbara

In loving memory of *loved ones* by Derrick Tuffin and Linda Cleary

In loving memory of beloved parents, parents in law and grandparents *Heber and Dolly Bennett* by Bob, Debbie, Sheri and Gregory

In loving memory of special friends, *Laura LeGrow, Nan Wright, Melvina Sheppard and Yvonne Ivany* by Bob and Debbie Bennett

In loving memory of *family & friends* by Rosalind, Ben and family

In loving memory of *mom, Lorraine Parsons, dad Cecil Porter & brother Brent Parsons* by Marven & Madeline Parsons

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 100 (#824) Matthew 25: (v.1-13)

SERMON: "Tending the Light"

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: "Thank You Lord For Your Blessings On Me" Male Choir

In loving memory of a beloved father, father-in-law and grandparent *Lloyd King* by Debbie, Bob, Sheri and Gregory

In loving memory of **Arthur Reid** by wife Elsie, daughters Sharon & Lisa & son Sean & their families

In loving memory of *a wonderful Mother, Evelyn Bastow & brothers & sister David, Glenn & Norine Bastow & brother-in-law Tony Murphy*by John, Lynn, Jonathon, Ashlee & family

In loving memory of *Ambrose & Irene Canning, Theophilus & Dorothy Fillier & Eric Larkin* by Guy & Peggy

In loving memory of *Warrick Allen & Ada Lockyer* by Marie

In loving memory of uncle **Boyd LeDrew** by Peter Pollard

In loving memory of uncles *Graham Mercer & Les Stokes* by Deena, Adam & McKenzie Fagan

In loving memory of father & mother *Harold & Ethel Somerton & brother-in-law Graham Mercer* by Eleanor Stokes

In loving memory of *Mother Jean Cox and mother and father-in-law Roy and Nan Yetman* & brothers Sid and Doug Cox & sister Lorraine Pearcey

by Bill and Linda Cox

In loving memory of parents *Jack & Alice Miller, sister Eloise and grandparents John & Sera Miller* by Joan and Roland Regular

In loving memory of *Reginald K. Jones* by wife Patricia & children Mark, Ken, Andrea & family

In loving memory of **Graham Mercer** by wife Hilda, children & grandchildren

In loving memory of *wife Lorraine, son Brent and brother Winston* by Russell Parsons

In loving memory of **husband Jim & parents Gideon & Blanche Stockwood** by Jean Mansbridge

In Loving Memory of *Departed Men's Club Members* by the Men's Club

In loving memory of *Family & Friends*by Sandra Baggs & Family

In loving memory of *Our Parents* by Alex and Albertha Lewis

In loving memory of parents *Cecil & Maude Brown & aunts, Phoebe, Emmie and June* by Barbara

In loving memory of *departed loved ones* by Sol & Phyllis Davis

In loving memory of **Andrew Grandy** by wife Helen & family

In loving memory of our son **Derek Monster** by James & Iris

In loving memory of **Charles & Amelia Barbour, James M & Maryann Bugden** by Len, Eloise, Sharon, Steven & families

In loving memory of dearly missed loved ones
In celebration of our precious matriarch Renee Snell in her 99th year
In thanksgiving for two beautiful grandchildren, Emilia & Xavier
by Wanda & Jim Saunders & family

OFFERING:

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:

Bless our gifts, our hearts, and the work of our talents, O God. May what we offer here bring hope to those who live a life of quiet desperation. May they learn to see the truth and the joy of your ways. This we pray in the one who gave us hope. Amen.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: "Down in the River to Pray" Andrew & Beth Cranston & Combined Choir.

In loving memory of daughter *Susan Tiller* by mother Dianne Kearley & sister Nicolle Boone

In loving memory of *Ambrose & Irene Canning, Theophilus & Dorothy Fillier & Eric Larkin* by Guy & Peggy

In loving memory of parents *Gideon & Blanche Stockwood, brother Bob and grandparents* by Ray & Bev Stockwood

In loving memory of *loved ones* by Roger & Rosemary Richards

In loving memory of grandparents *Harold & Ethel Somerton, Uncles Les Stokes & Graham Mercer* by Dawn, Jason, Brody & Callum Hamlyn

In loving memory of parents *Mae & Clarence Peddle & Enid & Arch Kearley* by Dianne and Bruce Kearley

In loving memory of grandparents *Max and Lillian Perry, Aunts Marjorie and Lillian, Uncles Merle & Gordon*by Bob Bennett

In loving memory of *Capt. John & Luella Blackwood & Dr. John and Gwendelyn Burke* by Elva & Glynn Burke

In loving memory of *our family members and friends*by Alex and Albertha Lewis

In loving memory of **Harold & Ethel Somerton** by Darlene, Ivan & Family

In loving memory of *loved ones* by Ken & Doreen Cave

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In loving memory of *parents Fred & Sarah Tiller & Enoch & Beatrice Coish & Tina Dolter*

by John & Loretta Coish

In loving memory of *loved ones* by John & Marie Rixon

In loving memory of *Cyril Butler* by wife Joan

In loving memory of *family & friends*by Ruth Jesseau & family

In loving memory of husband, father & grandfather (pop) **Doug Osmond**Uise Bob & Bhanda Larry & Angela Sean Byan Matthew &

from Louise, Bob & Rhonda, Larry & Angela, Sean, Ryan, Matthew & Zachary *Always in our Hearts*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: #675 "Will Your Anchor Hold"

THE SENDING FORTH:

One: May the Christ who walks on wounded feet walk with us on the road.

All: May we see the face of Christ in everyone we meet, and may everyone we meet see the face

of Christ in us.

One: God be your comfort and your strength; God be your light and your way; and the blessing of

God, Creator, Redeemer, and Giver of life remain with you now and forever.

All: Amen.

CHORAL BENEDICTION: The Church by the Side of the Road

ORGAN POSTLUDE

TO THE GLORY OF GOD

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

In loving memory of *Marjorie Miller* by Barbara Arnold

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