

Easter 5 – May 18, 2025

Deep – Bold - Daring

Congregational responses are in bold.

(*) Indicates Standing

I can't explain everything but I know this: In both the joys and pains of life, God is with you. God rejoices and mourns with you. You are not alone.

-Eugene Cho

We Come Together

Prelude... (*this is an opportunity for us to appreciate the gift of music and prepare our hearts for worship*)

***Introit:** Sing Your Joy vs. 1

VU#253

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship:

This is one world

and we are one people.

There is one God

and we are all God's people.

There is one life

and we are called to live it together.

There is one hope

and we share it with one another.

**With one voice, one joy, one faith, one love
we worship God together.**

***Hymn:** And On This Path

MV#8

Opening Prayer: (*unison on screens*)

Personal Prayer Veni Sancte Spiritus

MV#75

The Lord's Prayer

Children's Hymn: My Love Colours Outside the Lines **MV#138**

Children's Learning Time - Woven into cloth

Children's Prayer (*unison on screens*)

We Listen to the Word

Prayer of Illumination

Reader: Marlene

Introduction to Scripture

Scripture Lesson:

Epistle Reading: Revelation 21:1–6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth.

Gospel: John 13:31–35

A new commandment: love one another.

Response (*seated*): It is God's special word:

"Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

Sermon: Deep – Bold – Daring

Anthem: Up From the Grave He Arose

Prayers of the People

***Hymn:** I See a New Heaven

VU#713

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering

***Sung Dedication:**

In Gratitude and Humble Trust

VU#544

***Offertory Prayer:** (*unison*)

Let all creation

from greatest to least praise our God.

We bring to God our wealth of gifts:

our money, our time,

our love, our strength,

to be caught up and used

in bold discipleship, daring justice and deep spirituality

through Jesus the Christ.

Amen.

***Hymn:** Draw the Circle Wide

MV#145

***Blessing** (*on screens*)

***Choral Blessing:** You Shall Go Out With Joy

VU#884

Postlude

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Volunteer Schedule:

Ushers: May 18 Annie & John	May 25 Bill S. & John
Screens: May 18 Kevin	May 25 Tracy June 1 Erik

This Week's Calendar			
Tues	10:00am	Craft Group	Kitchen
Wed	7:00pm	Choir Practice	Sanctuary

*Tai Chi is offered on Wed & Fri ***Please note:** The office will be OPEN on May 19th (Victoria Day) and CLOSED on May 23rd

Announcements:

UCW Service May 25th: It will be a service of celebration with Rev. Catherine Stuart as our worship leader. Come, reminisce and celebrate with us! The UCW Group will be seated together and all other UCW members are welcome to join us. The celebration continues after the service with *Ice Cream Sundaes and Cookies galore!*

Mark your calendars! **The South-East New Brunswick Centennial Service of Celebration** is on **June 8th @11am at St. John's United Church** (75 Alma St.). There will be shuttle buses running from the old Moncton High parking lot (207 Church St.) Keep in mind, this service replaces Mount Royal's Sunday service so please plan to attend!

Reading by Marie Wilson from North of Nowhere: Song of a Truth and Reconciliation Commissioner, Thurs, 29th, 7pm The Grand Room, Windsor Building, 1st Floor, Sackville Marie Wilson, the only woman and non-indigenous Commissioner and United Church member, will read and respond to questions. This is a privileged opportunity for United Church members to deepen our understanding of why the United Church apologized for our part in the deeply harmful Residential School system. Invite friends and family. Books will be available for purchase and signing. Marie is also launching the book in French, hosted by the City of Moncton on **Fri. May 30th, 11:30am** at Le Centre Culturel Aberdeen.

UCW RECYCLE LIST: Paper rolls from paper towels and bathroom tissue will be collected in the month of June.