



## TOPSAIL UNITED CHURCH

*"The Church By The Side Of The Road"*

### *Service note*

God of life, in Christ you lead us,  
guiding us along the way.  
In our past, through joys and sorrows,  
You have been our strength and stay.  
Keep us faithful, true disciples,  
in our learning and our praise,  
celebrating past and present.  
consecrating future days.  
(Voices United #528)

### THE MUSICAL PRELUDE

**Arrival of their Honours:** The Honourable John C. Crosbie, PC, OC, ONL, QC,  
Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador, and Jane Furneaux Crosbie.

**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:**

Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear,  
Things I would ask him to tell me if he were here:  
Scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,  
Stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

## WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK

### OPENING PRAYER: (unison)

God of history and of time, we thank you for your many gracious acts of salvation visited upon this congregation in its 175 years. Continue to bless us with your presence, as you come to us now in word and music. Make us a “city set on a hill” a light that cannot be hidden, that others may know of your great love. Through Jesus Christ, your Son who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever. Amen.

**HYMN:** #332 “The Church’s One Foundation”

### DEDICATION OF ANNIVERSARY BANNER:

**(Banner designed and made by Lorraine & George Jarvis)**

**One:** In celebration of our 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary we present this Anniversary Banner to be dedicated to the glory and praise of God.

**Minister:** With gratitude, we accept this Anniversary Banner and dedicate it to the glory of God.

In the name of God, Creator, Christ and Spirit and for the beauty of our sanctuary, we dedicate this Anniversary Banner to the Glory of God.

**Prayer:** **Creator God, source of all inspiration and beauty, we thank you for the gift of this 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banner now dedicated to the glory of your name. Amen.**

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** “Let the children come to me” (Children’s Choir)

*In loving memory of our grandparents **Bert and Leona Churchill**, forever loved by Kate, Noah, Leah, Jennifer, Jill, Jackie, and Ted*

*In loving memory of a dear son and brother **Robert** by Georgina Eveleigh, Rosalind and family*

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

*In loving memory of **family and friends** by Yvonne Lewis*

*In loving memory of daughter **Susan Tiller** by mom Dianne and sister Nicolle*

*In loving memory of niece **Jane Brown**, age 11, by Barbara*

*In loving memory of our granddaughter **Sara Hope Lamkin** by Harold and Ruby Kennell*

*In loving memory of **Pamela and Michael Legrow** by mom, dad, and Christine*

*In loving memory of **David, Glenn, and Norine** by John, Lynn, and family*

**TALK TIME:** Steven Rogers

### 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)*

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:**

**“Far Side Banks Of Jordan”**

**(Male Choir)**

*In loving memory of **Cyril Butler** by Joan & Family*

*In loving memory of **Family and Friends** by Allan and Linda Parsons*

*In loving memory of our parents **Arthur and Pearl Penney, Norman and Margaret Reynolds** by Art and Verna Penney*

*In loving memory of **Charlie Nixon and other loved ones** by Helen Nixon*

*In loving memory of **loved ones** by Andrew and Helen Grandy and family*

*In loving memory of **Doug Osmond** by Audrey and Ernest Simmons*

*In loving memory of **Maude Brown** by Rex and Elaine Brown*

*In loving memory of **Cyril Butler** by Joan and family*

*In loving memory of parents **Ernest and Ellen Anthony, Bransfield and Ida Styles, and brother Pearce Styles** by Ed and Ruth Anthony*

*In loving memory of my husband **Reginald Walsh**, dearly missed and forever loved by Olive Walsh*

*In loving memory of husband, father, and grandfather **Doug Osmond** by Louise, Bob, Larry, and families*

*In loving memory of our parents **Samson and Rachel Humby, and Andrew and Elizabeth Fry** by Herman and Pearl*

*In loving memory of **Jane Goudie** by Don and Helen Goudie*

*In memory of **loved ones** by John and Marie Rixon*

*In memory of husband **Harold Somerton and sons-in-law Graham Mercer and Les Stokes** by Ethel Somerton*

*In loving memory of **Graham Mercer** by wife Hilda and family*

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

*In loving memory of parents **Herbert and Dora Tuffin, William and Alice Cleary** by Derrick and Linda*

*In loving memory of parents **Cyril and Alice Mercer, and brother Cyril** by Len Mercer and family*

*In loving memory of a beloved mother, mother-in-law, and grandmother **Dolly Bennett** by Debbie, Bob, Sheri Lynn, and Gregory*

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

*In loving memory of a beloved brother, brother-in-law, and uncle **Scott King** by Debbie, Bob, Sheri Lynn, and Gregory*

*In loving memory of **Nan Wright, Laura LeGrow, Melvina Sheppard, and Lorraine Parsons** by Debbie, Bob, Sheri Lynn, and Gregory*

*In loving memory of **deceased members of the Men's Club** by the Men's Club*

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

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

*In loving memory of **Fred Button** by Nellie and Cle Callan*

*In loving memory of dear brother **Dr. John Blackwood** and sister **Florence Taylor** by Elva*

*In loving memory of **Gordon and Caroline Templeman, and Neal Simon** by Leonard and Olive Templeman*

*In loving memory of **Jim Mansbridge** by wife Jean and family*

*In loving memory of a wonderful grandfather and great-grandfather **Allan George Oliver** by Renee, Emma, and Nicholas Bishop*

*In loving memory of mother and father **George and Elizabeth Moores** and mother-in-law **Maude Scott** by  
George Moores*

*In loving memory of **Rev. Samuel and Millicent Grandy, Dr. Thomas Grandy, William and Violet LeDrew, and  
Noreen LeDrew** by the family*

**SCRIPTURE READING:**

1 Samuel 1: 4-20 (Samuel is born to Hannah and Eli.) Rev. Wayne Blackwood

Mark 13: 1-8 (Not one stone of the temple shall be left standing.) Madeline Parsons

**SERMON:** "Yearning and Longing" Rev. Ralph Taylor

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC: "What a Friend We Have In Jesus" (Senior Choir & UCW)**

*In loving memory of our dear parents **Bert and Leona Churchill**, forever remembered and missed by children  
Vivian, Chesley, Cynthia, Dallas, Arlene, and our families*

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

*In loving memory of **Warrick Allen and loved ones** by Marie*

*In loving memory of **Nehemiah and Bessie Andrews and Leander Earle** by son Mervin Andrews and daughter  
Susan (Earle) Andrews*

*In loving memory of **Charlie Nixon and other loved ones** by Helen Nixon*

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

*In loving memory of **loved ones** by June Sturge*

*In loving memory of **Fred Button**, loving husband, father, and grandfather, by wife Betty and family*

*In loving memory of **Laura LeGrow**, sister-in-law, by Leone Parsons*

*In loving memory of **Ralph Horwood**, father and grandfather, by Jason, Tonya, Alex, and Avery Pelley*

*In loving memory of **our loved ones** by Alex and Albertha Lewis*

*In loving memory of **Donnie Paul King** by mom, dad, Krista, Rhonda, and son DJ*

*In loving memory of **loved ones** by Allan and Wanda Dalley*

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

*In loving memory of **family and friends** by Baxter and Beatrice*

*In loving memory of husband **Hubert Stokes**, parents **William and Elsie Brown**, and **sisters and brothers** by  
Olive Stokes*

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

*In loving memory of **Charles and Amelia Barbour, and James M. Bugden** by Len and Eloise Bugden and family*

*In loving memory of **Doug Osmond** by his sister June*

*In loving memory of **loved ones** by Marie and Ivan Lush*

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

*In loving memory of mother **Laura Legrow** by son Ed, Debbie, and Christine*

*In loving memory of **John and Hattie Legrow** by grandchildren Chris, Robyn, and Tim Legrow*

*In loving memory of **Hazel and Monroe Mercer** by John, Lynn, and family*

## OFFERING:

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:

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: "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms" (Youth Band & Choir)

*In loving memory of our dear grandparents **Chesley and Violet Churchill** with love: Vivian, Chesley, Cynthia, Dallas, Arlene, and families*

*In loving memory of a wonderful dad **Augustus (Gus) Eveleigh** by Georgina Eveleigh, Rosalind, and families  
In loving memory of **Ronald Hoskins and Samuel Masters** by Brian, Sherry, and family*

*In loving memory of **Reginald Walsh**, a dear father, father-in-law, and grandfather, by Sharon, Len, and Brooke Fowler*

*In loving memory of **Enid and Arch Kearley** by Bruce and Dianne Kearley*

*In loving memory of poppy **Peter Morey** by grandchildren Ben, Nicole, Demaris, Alexandra, Joshua, Chad, and Ashley*

*In loving memory of husband **Les Stokes** and father **Harold Somerton** by Eleanor Stokes*

*In loving memory of **Charles and Amelia Barbour, and James M. Bugden** by Len and Eloise Bugden and family  
In loving memory of **Glenn Gosling and Peter Morey** by Mona and family*

*In loving memory of dear brother **Dr. John Blackwood** and sister **Florence Taylor** by Elva*

*In loving memory of **Mericks Hicks** by Kyla Hicks and family*

*In loving memory of husband **Harold** and son **Gregory** by Bernice Tucker*

*In loving memory of **Mayor and Thornhill families** by George and Addie*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & LORD'S PRAYER

### MINISTRY OF MUSIC: "Will Your Anchor Hold" (Combined choirs)

*In loving memory of **Eric, James, & Cyril** by Joyce & the Harvey Family*

*In loving memory of our dear parents **Bert and Leona Churchill**, forever remembered and missed by children Vivian, Chesley, Cynthia, Dallas, Arlene, and our families*

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

*In loving memory of **Nehemiah and Bessie Andrews and Leander Earle** by son Mervin Andrews and daughter Susan (Earle) Andrews*

*In loving memory of **loved ones** by Andrew and Helen Grandy and family*

*In loving memory of **Eric, James, and Cyril Butler** by Joyce and the Harvey Family*

*In loving memory of **Mae and Clarence Peddle** by Dianne and Bruce Kearley*

*In loving memory of my loving father **Hubert Stokes** by daughter Ruth*

*In loving memory of loving parents **Jack and Joyce Alexander** by Paul and Karen Alexander*

*In loving memory of a dear daughter and sister **Debbie Rideout** by mom and dad, Douglas and Donna*

*In loving memory of **family and friends** by Baxter and Beatrice*

*In loving memory of husband **Hubert Stokes**, parents **William and Elsie Brown**, and **sisters and brothers** by  
Olive Stokes*

*In loving memory of parents **Maude and Cecil Brown** by Barbara*

*In loving memory of **Charles and Amelia Barbour, and James M. Bugden** by Len and Eloise Bugden and family*

*In loving memory of **Richard Barnes and Bernice Bonia**, daughter-in-law, by Olga Barnes and family*

*In loving memory of husband **Bronson Burt**, parents **Gordon and Eliza Cramm**, and sister **Josephine Rhynold** by  
Helen Burt*

*In loving memory of parents **Bert and Violet Perry** by Shirley, Nelson, and families*

*In loving memory of **Violet Marguerite Barnes** by Wallace Barnes and family*

*In loving memory of **Mayor and Thornhill families** by George and Addie*

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

*In loving memory of uncles **Graham Mercer** and **Les Stokes** by Darren Richards*

*In loving memory of **Ewart and Yvonne Pratt** by grandchildren Chris, Robyn, and Tim Legrow*

**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. Amen. Amen.**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION: The Church by the Side of the Road**

***Please remain standing for the departure of their Honours: The Honourable John C. Crosbie, PC, OC, ONL, QC, Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador, and Jane Furneaux Crosbie (their Honours will join us for the reception in the Church Hall).***

**ORGAN POSTLUDE**

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**TO THE GLORY OF GOD**

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

*In loving memory of **Laura LeGrow**  
by husband Ed (sr.) and daughter Marilyn*

**WELCOME** as we gather to celebrate the 175th anniversary of our church - Topsail United Church (the Church by the side of the Road). We extend a special welcome to our guests: Their Honours: The Honourable John C. Crosbie, PC, OC, ONL, QC, Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador, and Jane Furneaux Crosbie; Marilyn and Rev. Ralph Taylor (Rev. Ralph is our guest preacher and a former minister of our church); Hertha and Rev. Wayne Balckwood (President-Elect of the Newfoundland & Labrador Conference of the United Church of Canada); and the Honourable Jack Harris (member of parliament of the Government of Canada - St. John's East District). It is our prayer that you will find this service a joy and blessing as we celebrate 175 years of witness to our faith.