

TOPSAIL UNITED CHURCH

"The Church by The Side Of The Road"

Fully accessible for people with physical disabilities

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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:

Clergy:

Congregational Designated Minister:

Organist:

Choir:

Office Manager:

Caretaker:

Communion Servers:

Reader:

The Congregation

Rev. Bruce Kearley

Steven Rogers

Nadine Hollett

Senior Choir

Lynn Mercer

Roger Richards

Nellie & Cle Callan

Jim Rowsell

Sunday, February 3rd, 2013

4th Sunday after the Epiphany/ Sacrament of Holy Communion

SERVICE NOTE

WELCOME - Prophetic voices borne of love call us to trust and practice God's ways, even when those ways conflict with our own. Such voices may be difficult to hear or raise when the setting is what and who we have known as home. The edge of prophetic word and action comes in the challenge of discerning what will best serve God's ways of love for all. (Ecumenical prayer calendar: Ireland, united Kingdom)

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

THE MUSICAL PRELUDE:

INTROIT: "I Know Your Word"

CALL TO WORSHIP: (responsive – Seasons of the Spirit)

One: Today, the words of God come to us in love,

All: **inviting us to not be afraid, but to place our faith in God.**

One: Today, the word of God comes to us in faith,

All: **inviting us to trust in the One who knows us,**

to place our hope in the God who saves us.

One: Today, the word of God comes to us in hope,

All: inviting us to be gracious in our love and in our service to others.

One: Let us worship God!!!

CONGREGATION SINGS: (sing twice)

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:

PRAYER OF APPROACH: (unison)

God whose voice echoes all around and deep inside, speak to us through gentle reminders, hard truths, encouraging ideas, and emerging thoughts. Then put your words in our mouths that we may speak the ways of your love. Amen.

HYMN: #240 "Praise My Soul ..."

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING:

Colossians 3:12-16 (New life in Christ)

Psalms 147 (part 1) # 869 (In praise of God)

Luke 9:1-6 (Jesus sends out the Disciples)

ANTHEM: "Who is My Mother"

MESSAGE: "Gospel Remedies!"

DUET: "My Home's Over Jordan"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERTORY:

*Your work, O God, needs many hands to help you everywhere,
And some there are who cannot serve unless our gifts we share.
Because we love you and your work, our offering now we make:
Be pleased to use it as your own, we ask for Jesus' sake.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER: (Unison)

As you refresh us with all your gifts, God of joy, we offer our

gifts so that others might be touched by your grace, feed on the gifts of your creation, clothed in the graciousness of your compassion, embraced in your loving arms. Amen.

HYMN: #635 "All The Way My Saviour Leads Me"

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION:

CONFESSION:

One: God there are many things that block our path to relationship with you. Some of these obstacles are put in our way by others. When that happens, we can be angry and stubborn refusing to find another way, and we find it difficult to forgive.

All: We turn back to you, O God, our source of forgiveness and comfort.

One: Sometimes the obstacles in our paths are of our own making, when we choose not to live the way Jesus taught and modeled. We may choose to do things our own way, and trip ourselves up.

All: We turn back to you, O God, our source of forgiveness and comfort.

One: There are times when we put obstacles in the path of others; our actions or our words don't help people to see your presence in the world and in their lives.

All: We turn back to you, O God, our source of forgiveness and comfort.

(silent reflection) Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSIONS

BLESSING THE BREAD AND CUP

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

(The Bread is broken & The Cup is lifted)

(Communion is shared)

HYMN: #644 "I was There to Hear Your Boring Cry"

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:

CHORAL BENEDICTION: "Go Now in Peace,
Guided By The Light"

MUSICAL POSTLUDE:

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TO THE GLORY OF GOD

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

*In Loving Memory of
A beloved brother, Brother in Law and Uncle
Scott King
from Debbie Bob Sheri and Gregory.*

*In Loving Memory Of
Jane Brown
&
Alex & Martha Butler
by Barbara*