

# 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**

**Music Leaders:**

**Brett Vey & Rosalind Foley**

**Ministry of Music**

**Children's Choir**

**& Youth Band**

**Office Manager:**

**Lynn Mercer**

**Caretaker:**

**Roger Richards**

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***April 13, 2014***

***Palm Sunday***

## SERVICE NOTE

***WELCOME!*** It is Palm Sunday, and Jesus with His disciples are celebrating the feast of the Passover. Today we accompany Jesus as He rides into Jerusalem, with the crowds who gathered we shout "Hosanna, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord"

### ***WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE***

#### THE MUSICAL PRELUDE

**INTROIT:** The Parade of Palms (Palm Sunday Rap)

#### CALL TO WORSHIP:

**Erin Burt:** Why is everyone shouting, "Hosanna"?

**Marie Burt:** Jesus has arrived in Jerusalem with all the other pilgrims coming for the Feast of the Passover. He is riding on a donkey and crowds of people are following him; they are going ahead of him waving palm branches, praising him as the one God has sent.

**All:** Hosanna in the highest.

**WORDS OF WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK**

**LENTEN CANDLE LITURGY**  
(each week a purple candle is extinguished)

**CONGREGATION SINGS:**

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand:  
the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land,  
a home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,  
from the burning of the noontide heat and the burden of the day.

**PRAYER OF APPROACH: (in unison)**

As the people spread their coats and palm branches on the ground to welcome Jesus into Jerusalem, so we welcome Him into our lives this morning. be present in our hearts and lives this day and all days, that we might praise your holy name. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

**HYMN:** # 357 Tell me the Stories of Jesus (v 1-2)

**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**

**HYMN:** #357 Tell me the Stories of Jesus (vs.3,4)

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

### SCRIPTURE READING:

Matthew 21: 1 - 11

Psalm 118: Part 1, 3 and 4 (responsively)

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR:** "The Story of Palm Sunday"

**HYMN:** # 124 "He Came Riding on a Donkey"

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**MUSICAL REFLECTION:** " Make You Feel My Love"

### OFFERTORY:

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:

**HYMN:** # 123 Hosanna Loud Hosanna

### COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

### MUSICAL POSTLUDE

## TO THE GLORY OF GOD

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

*In loving memory of  
a dear friend*

**Helen Burt**

*by Barbara and Benjamin*

*(a gift has been received for the M & S Fund)*

*In loving memory of  
parents*

**Clifford & Sybil Pike**

*from John, Judy, Gloria, Robert & Gary.*

**GOD BLESS THE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

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

**Dorian John Eddy**

son of Sarah Eastman & Matthew Eddy, CBS, NL

**Kallee Jean Richards**

daughter of Krista (Coates) & Lee Richards, CBS, NL

**Skylar Judy Apitak Smith**

daughter of Christine (Oliver) & Sheldon Smith, CBS, NL

