

# 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."

- <b>Ministers:</b>	<b>The Congregation</b>
- <b>Clergy:</b>	<b>Rev. Bruce Kearley</b>
- <b>Congregational Designated Minister:</b>	<b>Steven Rogers</b>
- <b>Music Leaders:</b>	<b>Brett Vey, Rosalind Foley</b>
- <b>Prepared Music:</b>	<b>Children's Choir, Youth Band</b>
- <b>Office Manager:</b>	<b>Lynn Mercer</b>
- <b>Caretaker:</b>	<b>Roger Richards</b>

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*February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014*  
*6<sup>th</sup> after Epiphany*

## **SERVICE NOTE**

**WELCOME!** Rise up, rise up, rise up, O my soul! Rise up and sing this blessing to God's name! We are called to rise up and to reach out to the world through transformative action and justice-making.

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

### **THE MUSICAL PRELUDE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:** (responsive)

One: In single file, side by side, in groups and by themselves,

**All: The people approach.**

One: Skipping, wheeling, dancing, prancing,

**All: The people approach.**

One: Across the street, down the road, over the ocean, across the barriers, your people approach, O God.

**All: We approach your house of prayer, your house of equity and joy. We hear your call. We are here to challenge and be challenged, to be noisy and to be silent, to experience your holy presence.**

One: Let us join together in this sacred place.

**INTROIT:** "The Circle Song"

# WORDS OF WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK

**HYMN:** #412 "This Is The Day"

## TALK TIME

**MUSICAL PRESENTATION:** "Out of Our Heads"

## PRAYER:

We wrestle with our own abilities or talents, not knowing how best to use them and sometimes lacking courage to engage them. We want to rise up, to reach out, to lend a hand, but we are shy and afraid. Help us to be bold and courageous. Wound us as the world is wounded; make us as hungry as this world of want; make us thirst for justice and for a hope in a parched world; bless our wrestling that we may share in Christ's name, becoming partners in transformation through love and action. Amen.

## **WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD**

### SCRIPTURE READING:

Matthew 23:1-7, 13-15, 23-24

**ANTHEM:** "Who Am I"

## REFLECTION

**HYMN:** #700 "God of Freedom, God of Justice"

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

### 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 & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**HYMN:** "*Rise Up, Rise Up*"

Rise up, rise up, rise up, O my soul.  
Rise up and sing this blessing to God's name.  
Rise up, rise up, rise up, O my soul.  
Rise up and sing this blessing to God's name.

**PRAYER:** #587 "A Prayer for Hope"

**CLOSING HYMN:** #651 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

**BENEDICTION**

**MUSICAL BENEDICTION:**

Reach out and touch somebody's hand, make this world a better place if you can.

**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 beloved brother, brother-in-law and uncle*

**Scott King**

*by Debbie, Bob, Sheri-Lynn & Gregory*

*In loving memory of a dear daughter and mother*

**Catherine Button**

*forever in our hearts by loving daughter Hailey, mother Betty & family*

*In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather*

**Fred Button**

*your smile will never be forgotten,*

*by wife Betty, son Cory, granddaughter Hailey, Madeline & Candice*

*In loving memory of a dear husband*

**Graham Mercer**

*by wife Hilda, children & grandchildren*

*In loving memory of father*

**Clarence R. Dalton CD 166 Regt Shoal Hbr**

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*In loving memory of*

**June Sturge**

*by Noreen Richardson*

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**June Sturge**

*by Barbara Arnold & family*

