

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
- Organist:	Beth Cranston
- Choir Director:	Andrew Cranston
- Choir:	Mixed Choir
- Office Manager:	Lynn Mercer
- Caretaker:	Roger Richards
- Reader:	Rev. Bill Williams

October 26th, 2014

20th after Pentecost/Peace Sunday

SERVICE NOTE

WELCOME! This week we arrive at the border of the new land to which the people of Israel have been travelling since fleeing their enslaved lives in Egypt. We will also see how Moses' life comes to an end. However, in the endings there are also new beginnings; the story continues into the next era of God's creativity.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

THE MUSICAL PRELUDE:

INTROIT: "Spirit, Open My Heart" (MV 79)

CALL TO WORSHIP: (responsive)

One: Here we are in our newness, in our oldness, carrying our baggage, our discoveries and our treasures that we may pore over them and sift through them to discover that special gift, that bright light, that signpost of fresh new soil for you to lead us into life.

All: Here we are seeking your guidance and wisdom, God. Lead us in your ways.

CONGREGATION SINGS:

**Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God, our creator, children all are we;
let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.**

**Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now,
with every step I take let this be my solemn vow:
to take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.**

WORDS OF WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK:

OPENING PRAYER: (in unison)

God, your seeds of life burst into newness from the dead husks and burnt places. We praise you, and look for the life-signs. Through joy-filled and sorrowful stories, you shape a people to live and to love. We praise you, and seek your wise guiding. When we least expect it, and when we have known well in advance, you open us to new possibilities. We praise and honour you in the true worship of our lives. Amen.

HYMN:#343 "I Love To Tell The Story"

TALK TIME:

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING:

Deuteronomy 34: (selected verses)

Psalms 90 (#805 VU – Parts 1 & 3)

Matthew 22: 34-46

AHTHEM: “Here I Am Lord”

SERMON: *“GOD’S STORY, OUR STORIES”*

HYMN:#264 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only wise”

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION:

OFFERTORY: VU #540)

Grant Us, God, the grace of giving, with a spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living, we may offer faithfully.

OFFERTORY PRAYER: (in unison – see back of bulletin)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

THE LORD’S PRAYER:

HYMN:#378 “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:

CHORAL BENEDICTION: The Lord Bless Thee & Keep Thee” (VU965)

MUSICAL POSTLUDE:



TO THE GLORY OF GOD

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

In loving memory of

Daughter & Sister

Debbie Rideout

forever loved & missed

by Parents Diane & David

Brother & Sister

Douglas & Donna

A gift has been received for Pew Bibles

In loving memory of

Grandmother & Great Grandmother

Eleanor Pelley

from Jason, Tonya, Alex & Avery Pelley