

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
- Youth Program Coordinator:	Heather Cronhelm
- Youth Band Director:	Brett Vey
- Musical Ensemble:	Inspiration Band Courage Choir
- Office Manager:	Jacqui Kennedy
- Caretaker:	Roger Richards

September 18th 2016

18th Sunday after of Pentecost

SERVICE NOTE

WELCOME! Today, As we draw close to the UN International Day of Peace held on September 21st we take time to consider how we might be bearers of peace in God's world. Welcome, sisters and brothers, in the name of Christ who calls us beloved and declares the way of peace and hope.

THE MUSICAL PRELUDE:

CALL TO WORSHIP: (responsive) Sera Tulk

One: We gather together in the name of the One who bids us come.

All : We gather together to hear the words of the One who is Love.

One : We gather together to sing praises of the One who teaches peace

All : Come, let us worship!

CONGREGATION SINGS: (sing twice)

Jesus bids us shine with a pure clear light,
Like a little candle burning in the night.
In this world is darkness, so we must shine,
You in your small corner and I in mine.

WORDS OF WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK:

OPENING PRAYER: (in unison) Nicholas Wells

Loving God, we come before you to worship your presence in our lives. We come before you with gratitude and admiration on our lips. Be with us, with our community as we celebrate your work in our world. May we see justice and peace embrace. Amen

HYMN: #395 “Come In and Sit Down” verses 1& 2

STORY TIME: Children are invited to come to the front

SCRIPTURE READING:

Luke 19:1-10 Rachael Moores

Matthew 5: 8-10 Shauna Collins

Ministry of Music : the Courage Choir & the Inspiration Band

***Peace Train* by Cat Stevens**

REFLECTION: *Going out on a limb for Peace*

HYMN: # 374 “Come and Find the Quiet Centre”

OFFERTORY:

Love is something if you give it away, give it away, give it away

Love is something if you give it away, you'll 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'll end up having more

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

Father bless these gifts we bring you. Give them something kind to do. May they help someone to love you. Father may we love you too. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: #692 (vu) & Silent Prayers for Peace

& LORD'S PRAYER:

HYMN: (see insert) “Go Make a Diff'rence”

SENDING FORTH: (in unison)

Let us go forward into this day with hope for our community, with joy in God's loving care, and with courage to bring peace to everyone.

Prayers and Call to worship as well a portion of welcome were prepared by Mariam Spies, The United Church of Canada - Worship Service – *Peace in Community*.

MUSICAL POSTLUDE: