

# 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."

- <b>Ministers:</b>	<b>The Congregation</b>
- <b>Clergy:</b>	<b>Rev. Bruce Kearley</b>
- <b>Guest Clergy</b>	<b>Ms. Lorraine Jarvis</b>
- <b>Youth Program Coordinator:</b>	<b>Heather Cronhelm</b>
- <b>Organist:</b>	<b>Beth Cranston</b>
- <b>Choir Director:</b>	<b>Andrew Cranston</b>
- <b>Choir:</b>	<b>Male Choir</b>
- <b>Office Manager:</b>	<b>Jacqueline Kennedy</b>
- <b>Caretaker:</b>	<b>Roger Richards</b>

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***February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017***

***6<sup>th</sup> after epiphany***

## **SERVICE NOTE**

***WELCOME!*** The Scriptures invite us to look deep into our hearts and to investigate what is really true to us. Jesus helps us to discover what is at the heart of God's will, urging us to choose to act in ways that are life giving.

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

### **THE MUSICAL PRELUDE:**

**INTROIT:** "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone "(HFG #504 v.1)

### **CALL TO WORSHIP:** (responsive)

**One:** God, You do not stand there ready to yell at us whenever we do wrong but are that gentle Parent who wants only the best for your children always.

**All:** **You do not look at us through the lenses of judgment, but see us as your sisters and brothers.**

**One:** You reach out and take our hands so we might walk together.

**All:** **You fill our lives with the waters of grace and peace, so we might overflow with love, wonder, joy, and hope, true blessings to the world.**

**One:** As we gather in worship this day, may we feel our hearts attuned to yours!

**CONGREGATION SINGS:**

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

**PRAYER OF APPROACH:** (In Unison)

Wherever we find ourselves, O God, may we remember that you are present. There is no place where we can run from your love, there is no place we can hide from you, there is no place where you will not find us, and love us, and hold us close. May we experience and celebrate you in this time of worship. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

**HYMN #575:** Today We All are Called to be Disciples

**TALK TIME:**

**WE LISTEN TO & RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** 2<sup>nd</sup>. 1, Timothy 1-7  
Psalm 98 (VU 818)  
John 14, 25-28

**ANTHEM:** I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go (HFG #502)

**MESSAGE:** "Staying Inspired With Enthusiasm"

**HYMN #506:** Take My Life and Let It Be

**M&S SNAPSHOT**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION:**

**A TOUCH OF GOLD**

Congregation Sings: I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me (VU #575)

**OFFERTORY:**

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)

Too often, we say “no” to those around us, so may these gifts and those given by PAR be the “yes” others need to hear, as we recognize that hunger is all too real, pain brings people to their knees, loneliness embraces with despair, yet there is trust that your grace, hope, peace will be shared through us. This we pray in Jesus’ name. Amen

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER:**

**HYMN #657:** He Leadeth Me

**COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:**

One: As we leave this place, let us go to say “Yes” to all that gives value to everyone.

**All: We will say “No!” to injustice and hate.**

One: Let us go to mend broken relationships and to heal shattered hearts.

**All: We go with hearts opened for reconciliation.**

One: Let us go, choosing life in all its fullness, as well as its struggles and heartache.

**All: We will let our hearts be guided by the compassion and grace of our God. Amen.**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION:** Go Make a Diff’rence (MV #209)

**MUSICAL POSTLUDE:**