

# 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>Guest clergy</b>	<b>Lorraine Jarvis</b>
- <b>Youth Program Coordinator</b>	<b>Brett Vey</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>Jacqui Kennedy</b>
- <b>Caretaker:</b>	<b>Roger Richards</b>
- <b>Clergy:</b>	<b>Rev. Bruce Kearley</b>

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**November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017**  
**23<sup>rd</sup>, After Pentecost**

## **SERVICE NOTE**

**WELCOME!** From the first, God put all elements of creation in good and pleasing relationship to one another. God reigns over all those elements while calling on humanity to not only enjoy those good relationships but also work to build them up in places where they are broken. With the help of God's Spirit, we do this work individually and together as communities of faith.

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

### **THE MUSICAL PRELUDE:**

**INTROIT:** Lord, Listen to your Children Praying (VU #400)

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

One: Here in this place, we gather to worship.

**All: We gather to sing, to pray, to hear the word of God.**

One: As Christians have done for centuries before us, we do the same.

**All: We gather to worship.**

One: Let us worship with joy and in love!

(Written by: *Elaine Bidgood Sweet*, First Lutheran, Rugby & Leeds, North Dakota. **Gathering**, Pentecost 2 2017, page 29. Used with permission.)

**CONGREGATION SINGS:** (Sing Twice)

This is the day, this is the day  
That our God has made, that our God has made;  
We will rejoice, we will rejoice,  
And be glad in it, and be glad in it,  
This is the day that our God has made,  
We will rejoice and be glad in it.  
This is the day, this is the day  
That our God has made.

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

**OPENING PRAYER:** (in unison)

We extol you, O God – we offer you our praise and thanksgiving. We recognize your glory in our world, and thank you for the grace we know and experience each day. Freely, we are able to offer our prayers of praise; in honesty and joy, the words rise from our hearts and our voices. Amen.

**HYMN:** Come and Find the Quiet Centre (VU #374)

**TALK TIME:**

**WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 46 (VU #770)  
Matthew 11: 25-30

**AHTHEM:** Be Still My Soul (MV #652)

**SERMON:** "The Anchor of Hope"

**HYMN:** How Firm a Foundation (VU #660)

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION:**

**OFFERTORY:** Halle, halle, hallelujah  
Halle, halle, hallelujah  
Halle, halle, hallelujah  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

**OFFERTORY PRAYER:** (in unison)

Abundant God, we offer these gifts with joy and thanksgiving. Use them in service to your people and the fullness of your purpose. Amen.

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

**HYMN:** My Life Flows On (VU #716)

**COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:**

**BENEDICTION:** (sung) Wonderful Words of Life HFG #29 (v.2)

**MUSICAL POSTLUDE:**

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In loving memory of  
***Elva Burke & Grace Belbin***  
from the TUC Men's Club