

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
- Guest clergy	Lorraine Jarvis
- Youth Program Coordinator & Band Director	Brett Vey
- Youth Band & Choir	Courage & Inspiration
- Sound:	Stephen Stone
- Office Manager:	Jacqui Kennedy
- Caretaker:	Roger Richards
- Clergy:	Rev. Bruce Kearley
- Greeters	The Wheaton Family

Child's Sunday November 19th, 2017

Welcome:

Today we celebrate Child's Sunday. We take time to consider today how we may work together as God's people to make the world a better place for all children in our world.

We Gather as God's People

The Musical Prelude:

Call To Worship led by Sara Vey

One: What does the Lord require of us?

All: **To seek justice, to love kindness, and walk humbly with God.**

One: Who are we called to be?

All: **We are called to be the church: To celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation, to love and serve others.**

One: Why do we gather for worship?

All: We gather as an outpouring of gratitude and awe and a practice of opening ourselves to God's still, small voice of comfort, and to God's rushing whirlwind of challenge. Let us worship together.

One: Praise be to God.

Congregation Sings: (Sing twice)

Draw the circle wide, Draw it wider still
Let this be our song, no one stands alone,
Standing side by side, draw the circle wide.

Words of Welcome & Congregational Life & Work:

Prayer of Approach lead by Jona Hodder: (In unison)

Creator God, you have made each of us in your own image, And yet we fail to reflect your love and justice. You have created every child in your image, And yet we don't treat every child as a precious reflection of you. We see some children as valued treasures and others as lost causes. We invest our time and money, and hopes in some children, While we squander the potential of others. Open our eyes, we pray to see that every child is made in your image and belongs to you. Help us to love, protect, and nurture all children. We pray these things in the name of the One who came to us as a child. Amen.

Congregation Sings:

Hymn #366 - "Like A Child"

We Listen To God's Word

Scripture Readings:

- Psalm 66, Pg. 784 , Part One 1-7 ---- Rachael Moores
- Luke 19: 1-10 ----- Erin Burt

Ministry of Music:

"Humble and Kind" performed by Inspiration

Reflection: A Change of Heart

Talk Time:

Congregation Sings:

Hymn #365 - "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know"

Offering:

“The Child” performed by Erin Burt

Congregation Sings:

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:

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

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**Hymn:**

Hymn #577 - “Peace Like a River”

Commissioning and Benediction:**Musical Postlude:**