

## Topsail United Church

*"The Church by the side of the road"*

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### **The Mission of Topsail United Church:**

- 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
- To courage and empower each other to use our talents within the church.

<b>Ministers:</b>	The Congregation
<b>Youth Program Coordinator &amp; Band Director</b>	Brett Vey
<b>Youth Band and Choir</b>	Courage and Inspiration
<b>Sound</b>	Stephen Stone
<b>Office Manager</b>	Jacqui Kennedy
<b>Caretaker</b>	Roger Richards
<b>Clergy</b>	Rev. Bruce Kearley

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***September 17th, 2017***  
***15<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost***

**Using your gifts (Vocation):** Today's service is all about using one's gifts.

#### **Welcome:**

"Sing a happy hallelujah, sing it out with heart and style, we're the echo of God's laughter, we're the image of God's smile. Hallelujah, all creation, hallelujah everyone." (VU #224) We each have a gift. We each have a role. Today, as we enter a new season we can reflect on our gifts and how we help shape the world around us.

### **We Gather as God's People**

**The Musical Prelude:** Selections by Erin Burt and Brett Vey.

#### **Call To Worship lead by Jona Hodder (responsive)**

One: Sing praises to the Lord, O you, God's faithful ones!

**All: We will give thanks to God's holy name, for God's anger lasts but a moment; God's favour is for a lifetime.**

One: Sing praises to the Lord and remember: our weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the dawn.

**All: Because God promises to turn our mourning into dancing, because God vows to wrap us in joy, because God's faithfulness is so great, we cannot remain silent, our souls must sing God's praises today and forever. (Nora Vedress, Gathering S/A 2011)**

**Congregation Sings:**

Hymn #585 - "Jesus bids us shine" (Chorus only, twice)

**Words of Welcome & Congregational Life & Work:****Prayer of Approach lead by Sara Vey:** (In unison)

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. Amen.

**Hymn:** #395 "Come in and Sit Down"

**Talk Time:****We Listen To God's Word****Scripture Readings:**

- 1st Corinthians 12: (selected verses) Erin Burt
- Luke 19:1-10 Sera Tulk

**Ministry of Music:**

"Life's a Happy Song" Courage

**Reflection:**

**Hymn:** #289 - "It Only Takes A Spark"

**Minute For Mission:**

**Offering:** "Con te partirò" 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:**

O 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:**

"This Little Light Of Mine" - See back of bulletin.

### **Commissioning and Benediction:**

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.

### **Musical Postlude:**

Piano Instrumental - "O God Beyond All Praising"

## **This Little Light Of Mine**

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Hide it under a bushel NO, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Hide it under a bushel NO, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Hide it under a bushel NO, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Won't let anyone blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Won't let anyone blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Won't let anyone blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Let it shine let it shine let it shine.

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