

# 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>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>Jacqueline Kennedy</b>
- <b>Caretaker:</b>	<b>Roger Richards</b>
- <b>Clergy:</b>	<b>Rev. Bruce Kearley</b>

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*June 10<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> 2018*

*3<sup>rd</sup> after Pentecost/93<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Church Union*

## **SERVICE NOTE**

**WELCOME:** Who will lead us and what are the consequences of following? This week's readings, in different ways, reflect on the nature of leadership and the implications of following. Following God or the ways of the world are held in tension, making us aware of the consequences of our decisions.

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

### **THE MUSICAL PRELUDE:**

**INTROIT:** "Lord, Prepare Me to be a Sanctuary" (MV#18)

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

One: God is with us.

**All: God is here.**

One: We are grateful.

**All: We praise you, God.**

One: You have loved us faithfully.

**All: You are steadfast, Holy One.**

One: God is with us, in the midst of trouble.

**All: God is with us in every joy.**

One: God remembers God's promises to us.

**All:** God's love lasts forever.

**One:** Come let us worship.

**CONGREGATION SINGS:**

Come and find the quiet centre  
In the crowded life we lead,  
Find the room for hope to enter,  
Find the frame where we are freed:  
Clear the chaos and the clutter,  
Clear our eyes, that we can see  
All the things that really matter,  
Be at peace, and simply be.

(VU #374, v.1)

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

**OPENING PRAYER:** (in unison)

As we gather to enter the presence of God together in community, each one of us is yearning to thank God in different ways. O God, open our hearts as we open our prayers. In this time of worship, be present with us God. We pray in Jesus name. Amen.

**HYMN:** #262 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

**TALK TIME:**

**WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD**

**SCRIPTURE READING:**

Psalm 138 (#860 – VU)

Mark 3: 20-35

**ANTHEM:** "The Lily of the Valley" (William S. Mays)

**SERMON:** "Pause & Ponder"

**HYMN:** #313 "God, Whose Almighty Word"

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION:**

**OFFERTORY:** "The Church is Wherever God's People" (VU#579)

**OFFERTORY PRAYER:** (in unison)

Your love is steadfast, you are ever faithful. May these gifts we offer from the gifts we have received shine light in unseen places, bring hope to the rejected, and ease some suffering in our world. Amen.

**PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

**HYMN:** #421 "Lead on, O cloud of Presence"

**COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION:** "Like A Rock" (MV #92)

**MUSICAL POSTLUDE:**

Today's bulletin is dedicated to the glory of God and donated

In joy and celebration on the occasion of  
the 50th Wedding Anniversary of  
**Allan and Linda Parsons** on June 15<sup>th</sup>  
from The Men's Club

In celebration of our family matriarch and precious mum, grandmother  
& great grandmother

***Reneé Snell***

who will turn 100 on June 19<sup>th</sup>. The countdown is on. Mom has lived a wonderful and adventurous life since arriving in Canada as a British war bride in 1945. She has been our "blooming rose". Loved by everyone, most especially her family.

We honor her on this auspicious occasion  
from Wanda & Jim Saunders, Robyn Morgan & Emilia & Xavier Lee.



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