

## TOPSAIL UNITED CHURCH

*"The Church by the Side of the Road"*

Fully accessible for people with physical disabilities

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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>Mixed 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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*March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

*Palm Sunday*

### SERVICE NOTE

**WELCOME:** This day marks the beginning of the week when we tell the story that is central to our faith. It begins with Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, and continues with his arrest, trial, and death. Next comes Resurrection.

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

#### THE MUSICAL PRELUDE:

**INTROIT:** "Sanna, Sannanina" (VU #128)

#### CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive)

One: God calls us to go and find, and so we seek God's will.

**All: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of our God.**

One: God provides what is needed for our tasks and labours.

**All: Blessed is the coming reign of God.**

One: In the midst of our questions and uncertainty, God is revealed to us.

**All: Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!**

One: Come, let us worship God.

# ***Parade Of Palms***

(Led by Sunday School and Youth)

**Jesus is coming, pave the way with branches.**

**Jesus is coming, Hosannah (sing twice)**

**Hosannah, Jesus is coming.**

**Hosannah to the Prince of Peace**

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

### **“Lenten Light”**

(Lighting of the **Christ** Candle to increase the light on our Lenten Journey)

#### **OPENING PRAYER:** (in unison)

God of love and compassion, we celebrate your joyful and disruptive entry into Jerusalem. In that same way we anticipate, with expectant hearts, your presence in this place. We come, knowing your love has arrived and is made manifest in Jesus the Christ. We come, prepared to be changed by the grace we receive in your love. We come, with our whole being to prepare the way for the coming of love incarnate. Hosanna in the highest! Amen!

**HYMN:** #123 “Hosanna, Loud Hossana”

#### **WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD**

#### **SCRIPTURE READING:**

Psalm 118 (#837 – VU parts 1,3 & 4)

Mark 11: 1-11

**ANTHEM:** “Said Judas to Mary” ((VU #129)

**SERMON:** “*Love Arriving*”

**HYMN:** #122 “All Glory, Laud and Honour”

#### **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION:**

**OFFERTORY:** (VU #958)

Halle, halle, hallelujah  
Halle, halle, hallelujah  
Halle, halle, hallelujah  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

**OFFERTORY PRAYER:** (in unison)

Holy One, you are generous in the blessing that you bestow upon us. We receive the gift of time to be intentional with how our time is used. We receive the gift of talent that our skills may be used for creative and restorative purposes. We receive the gift of income, to share with those in need, to support ministries in this place, in our community, and in the world. Grant that the gifts we bring this day may be used for your glory and not our own. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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

**HYMN:** #652 "Be Still My Soul"

**COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION:** "And On This Path" (MV #8)

**MUSICAL POSTLUDE:**

