

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."

- Ministers:	The Congregation
- Youth Program Coordinator:	Brett Vey
- Organist:	Beth Cranston
- Choir Director:	Andrew Cranston
- Office Manager:	Jacqueline Kennedy
- Caretaker:	Roger Richards
- Minister	Rev. Wayne Cole

United Church of Canada

Topsail United Church

Sunday, August 11, 2019; 10:30 AM

THE GATHERING

Organ Prelude

Welcoming & Announcements

THE APPROACH

Call to Worship #1:

L: Sing to the Lord a new song!

P: We sing a song of peace and hope!

L: Sing to the Lord a song of strength.

P: Our strength is in the Lord of hosts!

L: Sing to the Lord a song of joy!

P: Our song is a song of service and faithfulness.

AMEN.

Call To Worship: *(Responsively)*

Hymn: VU # 766 As the Deer Pants for the Water

Opening Prayer (unison)

Lord of light and life, you have called us this day to open our hearts, our minds, our spirits to hear your words of encouragement, healing, and hope. Give us patience and willingness to serve you in all that we do. In Jesus' Name, we pray. **AMEN**

Hymn: VU # 559 Come, O Fount of Every Blessing

Time with the Youth

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of healing mercies, we come to you this day as imperfect people. We know that you desire for us hope, happiness, and love, yet we have found so many ways in which to block your gifts, or to grab hold of them as if we were entitled to them. We have been given the pathway to peace in the witness of Jesus Christ. He taught us to live as people of compassion and service. But our service has been mostly for ourselves, for our own gratification. We have failed to be your church, your witnesses on earth. We have neglected the needs of others in our rush for our own comfort. Forgive us, O merciful God. Heal our wounded spirits. Turn us again to you, that we may again learn of your love and mercy. Help us to become partners in peace and hope for others. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. **AMEN.**

(Silent Reflection). **AMEN.**

Words of Assurance: *(Minister)*

AMEN.

THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED

Scripture Readings:

Hebrew Scripture: Isaiah 5: 1-7

(Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.)

Epistle: Hebrews 11: 1-3 & 8-12

(Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.)

All: Thanks be to God.)

Gospel: Luke 12: 49-56

(All: Praise be to Christ, the Living Word)

Sermon: "Belief, Faith or Magic"

Ministry of Music: " "

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn: VU # 663 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Invitation of the Offering

Offering:

**Offertory Hymn: VU # 540 Grant Us, God, the
Grace**

Your work, O God needs many hands
to help you everywhere,
And some there are who cannot serve
unless our gifts we share.

Because we love you and your work,
our offering now we make:
Be pleased to use it as your own,
we ask for Jesus' sake. **Amen**

Offertory Prayer: (*Minister*)

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

THE SENDING FORTH

Hymn: VU #642 Be Thou My Vision

Commissioning: (*Unison*)

Amen

Benediction: (*Minister*)

Organ Postlude

Today's Bulletin is dedicated to the *Glory of God* and donated

In loving memory of husband

Les Stokes

from wife Eleanor