

# 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."

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| • <b>Ministers:</b>                             | <b>The Congregation</b>   |
| • <b>Worship Leader:</b>                        | <b>Heather Cronhelm</b>   |
| • <b>Youth Program Coordinator &amp; Music:</b> | <b>Brett Vey</b>          |
| • <b>Choir:</b>                                 | <b>Courage</b>            |
| • <b>Band:</b>                                  | <b>Inspiration</b>        |
| • <b>Office Manager:</b>                        | <b>Jacqueline Kennedy</b> |
| • <b>Caretaker:</b>                             | <b>Roger Richards</b>     |
| • <b>Sound:</b>                                 | <b>Stephen Stone</b>      |
| • <b>Greeters:</b>                              | <b>The Howell Family</b>  |

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**May 12th, 2019**

## **Christian Family Sunday**

### **Welcome:**

It is Christian Family Sunday. Today we celebrate family, not just Mothers but Fathers, Brothers, Sisters, Guardians, Friends and above all we celebrate Christ.

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

### **The Musical Prelude:**

### **Call To Worship led by Christopher Clancey:**

One: Parents and Children, Siblings and cousins, Grandparents and greats, aunts, uncles and more.

**All: Family in God's Love.**

One: By adoption, by choice, by birth or just because.

**All: Family in God's Love,**

One: People well known, people never met, people near, people far.

**All: Family in God's Love!**

One: Come as you are. Come as you will be. Come and worship, all you, who are.

**All: Family in God's love!**

## **Congregation Sings:**

Hymn #395 - "Come In and Sit Down".

## **Words of Welcome & Congregational Life & Work:**

### **Prayer of Approach lead by Samuel Bungay: (In unison)**

Mother-Father God, Brother Jesus, Sister, Spirit: We gather this morning in the brilliance of a new day. We gather to sing, to pray, to hear. We gather to be inspired. Come, sit with us, join us. Amen.

(Written by **Kate Gregory**, Belwood, ONT. **Gathering**, Lent/Easter 2019, page 53. Used with permission.)

## **Congregation Sings:**

Hymn #556 MV - "Would You Bless Our Homes and Families"  
(v. 1,3,4)

## **Talk Time & First scripture reading**

Psalm 23 (Spark version) read by Rachael Moores.

*(The congregation will be invited to repeat each line.)*

## **We Listen To God's Word**

### **Second Scripture Reading:**

John 10: 27-30 ----- Read by Sara Vey

### **Ministry of Music:**

"Butterfly Fly Away" ----- Sera Tulk

### **Reflection:**

*Our Family Motto*

## **Congregation Sings:**

Hymn #126 MV "Are You A Shepherd?" (see insert)

### **Offering:**

"The Wind Beneath My Wings" performed by Rachael Moores

## **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:**

We are gathered as your family of faith-diverse, delightful, devoted. Bless the gifts of time, talent and treasure we offer this morning so, that they may reflect the wonderful diversity of your family worldwide, that our beating hearts may connect with our human family everywhere. Amen.

(Written by **Gord Dunbar**, Kincardine, Ont. *Gathering*, Lent/Easter 2019, page 54. Used with permission)

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

### **Hymn:**

Hymn "Follow, follow"

Follow, follow I will follow Jesus  
Everytime, anytime I will follow on  
Follow, follow I will follow Jesus  
Anywhere God leads me I will follow on

## **Commissioning and Benediction:**

**Musical Postlude:** Selected instrumental work

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## **Are You a Shepherd?**

Are you a shepherd, good shepherd who leads us safely through danger, while calming our fears? Are you a father who shelters and feeds us, shares in our laughter and wipes away tears?

### **Refrain:**

**Yes, you are shepherd, parent and teacher, but you are greater than all that we know. Holy and living, loving and giving, God you are with us wherever we go.**

Are you a mother, good mother who bears us, comforts, protects us and helps us to rest? Are you a teacher who daily prepares us, challenging students to offer their best?

### **Refrain**

Great, gentle shepherd, forever beside us, lead all your children in paths that are right. Great, loving parent, wise teacher, you guide us. We want to love you and bring you delight.

### **Refrain**

**HAPPY MOTHERS DAY**