

Silver Falls United Church

Sunday, October 18, 2009

Minister: Rev. Angela Cory, BA M.Div
Director of Music: Ann McAllister, B. Mus, B. Ed

Congregational Responses are in **Bold** print.

** Please stand if able.*

Personal Prayer of Preparation

So many times, O God, we come to you asking what we want, and you do not turn from us. Help us also to ask what you seek of us. As we do, may we remember the life and community we find in Jesus. Guide us to serve you through serving others. Amen

Organ Prelude

* Introit God is Here **VU 389** verse 1

Call to Worship

Reading of Job 38: 2-7, 34-41

Prayer of Approach (responsively)

One: Holy One, before the wonder and power of
 your creative love,

All: we offer our adoration, we welcome the silence.

One: Enveloped by your wisdom and held by your grace,

All: we offer our adoration, we welcome the silence.

One: Challenged by your justice and sent by your spirit,

All: we offer our adoration, we welcome the silence.

One: It is in the name of Christ we gather and pray.

All: Amen

Opening Hymn I, the Lord of Sea and Sky **VU 509**

Call To Confession

One: As we come to God in confession let us create a space to allow the Spirit to move amongst us and refresh our lives. Let us pray together:

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Ever encouraging and hopeful God, we are mindful how raw ambition and unbridled competition not only cuts us off from you but divides people from people. Sadly, it also hinders our own expressions of authenticity. We ask then that you help reshape our deepest desires; remoulding them in the ways of self-giving, restating them in words of compassion. For we know that your call to be great is not a call to be above and beyond all others. Rather, it is the fullness of love lived out in community; a daring to be all you have ever created us to be. Grace us, then, in the being and doing, giving new insight, and showing us less-taken paths of renewed possibility. Amen

Words of Assurance (responsively)

One: In the love of God, the companionship of Christ and the flame of the Spirit, may the desire of your hearts be granted!

All: My the desire of our hearts be granted! Amen

A New Creed (please see back cover)

Faith in Action

Life and Work of the Church

Children's Hymn Small Things Count **VU 361 vs 1, 2**

Theme Conversation

Hymn VU 361 vs 3

Introit for the Word

One: Eternal God, in the reading of the scripture, may your Word be heard; in the meditation of our hearts, may your Word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your kingdom be known. Amen

Scripture Readings:

First Reading:

Job 38: 1-7

Reader: These are our sacred stories

All: Thanks be to God

* Psalm Psalm 104 VU 826-7 Refrain 2

Epistle: Hebrews 5: 1-10

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading: Mark 10: 35-45

Reader: Glory be to you, O God

All: Praise be to you, O Christ

Ministry of Music Fill Us With Your Love – T. Colvin

Sermon

Offertory Invitation

One: Participating in what God is doing is a gift we have been given. Being part of something larger than ourselves gives life meaning and connects us with others in empowering ways. Let the gifts we offer today—our finances and the gift of our lives offered to God—serve God’s dream and vision for those both near and far. Let us receive our morning offering:

Receiving our Offerings and Par Cards

Offertory Hymn Holy God, We Praise Your Name VU 894

Dedication of Offering We Praise You, O God VU 218, vs 1

*Offertory Prayer (unison)

Holy One, Vision-caster, Courage-giver, Love-finder, we offer these gifts for the world you love, and in the name of Jesus, who lived and loved to the end, empowered by you, and who lives and loves us even now. Amen

Prayers of Intercession

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place,
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us power, send us grace!

Lord’s Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
On earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil;
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen**

Closing Hymn He Leadeth Me VU 657

Commissioning and Benediction

One: Jesus said to his followers, “Whoever wishes to become great among you, must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all.”

All: We go with courage and peace, and are prepared to be all we can be in the service of the Gospel. We are prepared to be humble, and to be open to great but needed change.

One: And so may the creative power of God, the redeeming power of Christ and the sustaining power of the Spirit, be in you and uphold you on this day and into the days ahead.

All: Amen!

Choral Blessing (tune: vu 402)

*We are one, as we go, now we leave,
strengthened and renewed.
We have shared, we have cared,
We have witnessed God's great love.
As we go from this place,
All our fears and cares erase,
For we know the future is in God's hands.
Be with us as we journey on our way.*

(text by Sue McBeath, Humphrey Memorial U.C., Moncton, NB)

If you are a visitor with us, we give you **special welcome** in the name of the Lord, Jesus Christ. If you are a regular worshipper, do you know the person in front of you, or even beside you? If not, why not introduce yourself?

*Today's Service and Bulletin are dedicated in loving memory of Dorothy Carpenter and Jack Crawford by Paul and Corinne Carpenter and family.
- In loving memory of Margaret and Frank Bustin by Betty and Jim Humby and family.*

Scripture for Sunday, October 25th – **Lorraine Redstone**

Job 42: 1-6, 10-17

Psalms 34

Hebrews 7: 23-28

Mark 10: 46-52

Greeter for October 25th : **Clare & Andrew McLean**

Thank you goes out to last weeks

Readers & Greeters for all your help!!

Announcements

Turkey Dinner tickets are now available!! Saturday, November 7th at 4:00pm or 5:30pm. Take out tickets available as well. Adults \$10 and children \$5. Also looking for volunteers to help with the dinner. If you have some time to spare, we'd love to see you here!

The UCW has a large quantity of **yarn** that was donated. Numerous sizes and colors to choose from. Anyone interested in taking some home, please see a UCW member or call the office at 696-1410.

There is now a binder in the office with information, newsletters, emails, etc. from Maritime Conference and General Council if anyone is interested.

UNB Christian Fellowship (InterVarsity) is hosting a Bazaar to fundraise money to attend Urbana Missions Conference in St. Louis, Missouri. There will be a café, craft sale, preserves, yard sale, music, and a BBQ. Donations Appreciated.

Date: October 24th, 8am-1pm.

Location: Forest Hills Baptist: 36 Mountain Rd.

Admission: Free

Contact: Christopher Biggs, E-mail: h75p3@unb.ca, Phone: 652-2722.

ART SHOW and SALE, 225 Paintings by 65 local artists. Presented by: The Men's Club of Saint David's United Church, Rothesay Show Times: Friday, October 23rd 7.30 PM to 9.30 PM Saturday, October 24th 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM Admission: \$ 2.00 (covers both days) Door Prize: A floral oil painting (12" x 24") by Rene Collins

Featured Artists Include: Ray Butler, Helen Campbell, Mary Cormier, Margaret Graham, Judy Hutton, Eleanor, Ferguson Jenkins, Carolyn Killam, Jim MacFarlane, Phil MacGillivray, Richard Purdy, Rodney Senior, Patrick Stull

Portland United and Centenary-Queen Square United Churches are co-hosting a **Turkey Dinner on Saturday, October 24, 2009.**

The event will be held at **Portland United, 50 Newport Crescent** with two sittings - **4:30 p.m. and 5:45 p.m.**

The cost for tickets is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. Take-out orders may be picked up after 5:00 p.m.

There is ample parking and wheelchair accessibility.

For tickets or for more information, please phone **632-4030** or **634-8288**.

Come join **St. Mark's United Church** in a Musical Celebration of our **150th Anniversary** with the St. Mark's Senior Choir, Tracy Friars, Teri-Lynn Russell, and others on October 24 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary, 50 Dexter Drive. The music will be both sacred and secular. Free will offering. For more information contact the church office at 672-3320.

ANNUAL HIP OF BEEF DINNER Saturday, October 24th from 4:00 - 6:30 pm at THE HAMPTON UNITED CHURCH, 24 Robb Court
This year, the menu includes the regular vegetables, squash, Yorkshire pudding and of course beef. As always there are the great home made pies. Price is Adult \$12, Child 4 - 12 \$6, under 4 - free. Immediate family tickets - \$30. Tickets available at the door. Wheelchair Accessible.

Tracy Friars, Family & Friends are pleased to present "Celebrate Life" – A Musical Concert at the Imperial Theatre on Nov. 23rd at 7:30pm. The show will feature Tracy and many talented artists from the Saint John area including a 90 Voice Choir under the direction of Janet Kidd and accompanied by Terri-Lynn Russell. Tickets are \$20 and available through the Imperial Theatre (the box office, telephone and on-line) starting September 21st . All proceeds from this event will go to the Saint John Learning Exchange.

Prayer Corner *This information is given so that you may "Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn." (Rom. 12:15) Please pray for them.*

FIND THE ANIMAL CONTEST

Somewhere in the church, there is an animal....do you see it??

Shhh....don't tell anyone!

Week 2.....oh where oh where can it be? Each week fill out the ballot with your answer and after the 4 weeks are up, we'll announce the winners by drawing names out of the box that is located at the back of the church.

So put your eyes into action and start the hunt! What animal can you find hiding?
Open to all ages!! Have fun!!

What kind of animal did you find?

Where do you see it?

Your name:

A New Creed

We are not alone, we live in God's world.
We believe in God; who has created and is creating,
Who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
To reconcile and make new, who works in us and others
By the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church;
To celebrate God's presence,
To live with respect in Creation,
To love and serve others,
To seek justice and resist evil,
To proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
Our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

The Church at Work

MID-WEEK GROUPS

Adult

U.C.W. Quilters	12:30-3:00, Monday & Wednesday
UCW	7:00 p.m. 1 st Tuesday
Senior Choir	7:30 p.m. Thursday
Unified Board	7:00 p.m. 3 rd . Tuesday
Bible Study	10:00 a.m. Wednesday

Children/Youth

Sunday School	Sunday 11am church 11:15 to classrooms
Youth Group	As Announced
Beavers	6:30 p.m. Wednesday
Cubs	6:30 p.m. Tuesday
Scouts	6:30p.m. Wednesday
Messengers	6:30 p.m. Monday
Explorers	6:30 p. m. Monday
CGIT	6:30 p.m. Monday

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Sunday Service**

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