

Prayer of Approach (responsively)

One: You call,

All: we answer.

One: You come close,

All: we are enfolded in love.

One: You go deep,

All: we are caught by the surprise of your grace.

One: Though we face many troubles, you shelter us in your steady love. You are the keeper of promises and your steadfast love endures forever. Be mindful of us, the works of your hands; enfold us in your love always.

Opening Hymn I Have Called You by Your Name

(see

insert)

Call To Confession

One: We need forgiveness, God, for we are not the people you would have us be—forgive us and set us free as we say our prayer:

Prayer of Confession (unison)

In the midst of our business as usual, you come close; you draw us in and invite us to go deep. You assure us that, in the deep places, we will find new life in abundance. You ask us to trust and to take risks—to cast ourselves fully into

the depths of community where we will find our true selves and be empowered to serve. We hear your invitation but we do not always respond in faith. Because of fear, habit and closed hearts, we hold back and do not follow your lead. When we recognize how we have fallen short, we can be tempted to run away. What you offer is exactly what we need, yet we often reject your love with negative self-talk and resistance. Search for us again, O Love of our hearts, and may we be mindful of who we are in your love so we can become all you have created us to be. Amen

Words of Assurance (responsively)

One: When we call, One who is all love answers and gives us strength for our weariness. Though we fall short, Love draws near to us again and again bringing us out of our fear and resistance and into our calling as reflections of Christ. We have strength for the task and love for the journey—this is our good news today.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen

Faith in Action
Life and Work of the Church

Children's Hymn Simon, Simon, a Fisherman

VU

597 vs 1&2

Theme Conversation

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**

Children's Hymn

VU 597 vs 4 & 5

Introit for the Word

One: Open our eyes and hearts, God of sacred
 story. Speak to us through these words. Show
 us the way and give us strength to live in faith.
 Amen

Scripture Readings:

First Reading:

Isaiah 6: 1-8 (9-13)

Reader: These are our sacred
 stories

All: Thanks be to God

Psalm: **Psalm 138 VU 860**

Epistle: **1 Corinthians 15: 1-11**

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Reading: **Luke 5: 1-11**

Reader: Glory be to you, O
God

**All: Praise be to you,
O Christ**

Ministry of Music

Unto Thee, O Lord

by

F.E. Aulbach

Soloist: Wendy Bennett, mezzo

soprano

Sermon

Offertory Invitation

One: When Jesus asked the fisherman to put their nets out, they complained like most church boards do when asked to try something new. "We've already worked hard all night and caught nothing!" But they did it anyway, and were surprised by the abundance of fish they had missed in spite of all their labour. The offering often feels like we're putting our nets out at Christ's command: we've done it countless times

before, with predictable and disappointing results, but we do it anyway. May we be surprised by God's blessing as we receive our morning offering.

Receiving our Offerings and Par Cards

Offertory Hymn

I'm Gonna Shout, Shout

I'm gonna shout, shout, shout out my love
For Jesus, for Jesus!
I'm gonna shout, shout, shout out my love
For God's most holy child!

**Chorus: For whatever I might do today
At home, at school, at work, at play
I've got Jesus' love deep down inside me!**

I'm gonna raise, raise, raise up my hands
For Jesus, for Jesus!
I'm gonna raise, raise, raise up my hands
For God's most holy child!

(Chorus)

I'm gonna dance, dance, dance all around
For Jesus, for Jesus!
I'm gonna dance, dance, dance all around
For God's most holy child!

(Chorus)

Dedication of Offering (tune 232)

**Joyful, joyful, Lord, we bring you
Gifts that you can use today
Take them, bless them, may your kingdom
Spread to all the world, we pray.
We are here, our time and talents
We would dedicate as well
May we show Christ's love within us
By our lives, our faith to tell.**

***Offertory Prayer** (unison)

**Abundant God, each of us can offer our church
and our world something different from what
we have offered before. Help us to give
something new, so we can be part of your
surprise and your blessing. Amen**

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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!

Commissioning and Benediction

One: God provides abundantly.
All: We will live without fear.

One: God has filled our nets to bursting.

All: We will live in joyful gratitude.

One: God has a great purpose for us all.

All: We will follow God's lead.

One: Let us trust God who has been ever
steadfast.

All: We will be bold and answer God's call.

One: God in peace—go in God!

Three-Fold Amen: Amen! Amen! Amen!

Closing Hymn Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
VU 333

Choir Recessional

Organ Postlude

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, Bulletin and Flowers are dedicated in loving memory of Sylvia Button by Raymond Button and family.

****If you are interested in donating a bulletin in memory of someone, please see the office or Barb Woollven for more information.**

Scripture for Sunday, February 14th – **Nancy Doucette**

Transfiguration Sunday

Exodus 34: 29-35

Psalm 99

2 Corinthians 3: 12 to 4: 2

Luke 9: 28-36

Greeter for February 14th : **John & Sarah Woollven**

Thank you goes out to last weeks

Readers & Greeters for all your help!!

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.*

Stacie Watson, Shirley Whitebone, Tashia Phillips, Marion Stackhouse

CHURCH & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vision Team will be holding a meeting on Monday, **February 15th** at 7pm.

"Mmmm....Pancakes....." We will be holding a **Pancake Supper** on **Tuesday, February 16th** at **6:30pm** in the CE Hall. Hope to see everyone!! Sponsored by Silver Falls Scouting.

Youth Group will be holding their regular meeting on Saturday, February 27th from 7-8:30am.

There will be an **Ash Wednesday Service** held on Tuesday evening, **February 16th** at **7:15pm**. Everyone is welcome to attend!

The **Unified Board** will be meeting on Tuesday, **February 23rd** at 7pm in the boardroom. Everyone is welcome to attend!

*Ham, Scallop, Beans, an array of desserts.....sound good?? **April 17th**.....stay tuned...more info to come!*

We are looking to add **email addresses** to our office computer system. If you have an email address could you please submit it to the office by calling Tammy at 696-1410 or email her at **silverfalls@nb.aibn.com**, so that she can add it to the system. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Pancake Supper at Portland United Church, 50 Newport Crescent on Tuesday, February 16, 2010 from 4:30-6:30pm. Pancakes, sausages, beans, hash browns, gingerbread w/whipped cream and beverage. Tickets \$7 adults, \$5 children under 12. Available at church office 632-4030.

Attention!! Check out the fresh new web pages for the Maritime Conference United Church Men! The URL is the same as before <http://www.marconf.ca/ucmen.htm>

Coverdale Centre for Women are asking if there are any church groups interested in preparing lunch for the clients of the Centre. Each Wednesday the Centre prepares and serves lunch to women who are in need of a meal. The preparation of the food (to be supplied) can be done at the Centre or at another locale and delivered to the Centre. If interested and wanting more information please call Nancy Porter Executive Director at 634-1649.

A Valentine's Day Variety Concert will be held at All Saints (Parish of Simonds) Upper Loch Lomond on Sunday, February 14th at 7:00 p.m. Gordon Brown, George Urquhart, Greg Hiltz, our choir and the children of our Sunday School, are just a few of the entertainers for this event. A free will offering will go towards the Haiti disaster relief. Refreshments will follow.

***A Nice Story.....
"Jesus Loves Me"***

While watching a little TV on Sunday instead of going to church, I watched a church in Atlanta honoring one of its senior pastors who had been retired many years. He was 92 at that time and I wondered why the church even bothered to ask the old gentleman to preach at that age.

After a warm welcome, introduction of this speaker, and as the applause quieted down, he rose from his high back chair and walked slowly, with great effort and a sliding gait to the podium. Without a note or written paper of any kind he placed both hands on the pulpit to steady himself and then quietly and slowly he began to speak.....

"When I was asked to come here today and talk to you, your pastor asked me to tell you what was the greatest lesson ever learned in my 50-odd years of preaching. I thought about it for a few days and boiled it down to just one thing that made the most difference in my life and sustained me through all my trials. The one thing that I could always rely on when tears and heartbreak and pain and fear and sorrow paralyzed me... the only thing that would comfort was this verse.....

**"Jesus loves me this I know.
For the Bible tells me so.**

**Little ones to Him belong,
we are weak but He is strong.....
Yes, Jesus loves me.....
The Bible tells me so."**

When he finished, the church was quiet. You actually could hear his foot steps as he shuffled back to his chair. I don't believe I will ever forget it. A pastor once stated, "I always noticed that it was the adults who chose the children's hymn 'Jesus Loves Me' (for the children of course) during a hymn sing, and it was the adults who sang the loudest because I could see they knew it the best."

Here is a new version just for us who have white hair or no hair at all. For us over middle age (or even those almost there) and all you others, check out this newest version of Jesus Loves Me.

JESUS LOVES ME

**Jesus loves me, this I know,
Though my hair is white as snow
Though my sight is growing dim,
Still He bids me trust in Him.**

(CHORUS)

**YES, JESUS LOVES ME.. YES, JESUS LOVES ME..
YES, JESUS LOVES ME, FOR THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO.**

**Though my steps are oh, so slow,
With my hand in His I'll go
On through life, let come what may,
He'll be there to lead the way.**

(CHORUS)

**When the nights are dark and long,
In my heart He puts a song....
Telling me in words so clear,
"Have no fear, for I am near."
(CHORUS)**

**When my work on earth is done,
And life's victories have been won.
He will take me home above,
Then I'll understand His love.
(CHORUS)**

**I love Jesus, does He know?
Have I ever told Him so?
Jesus loves to hear me say,
That I love Him every day.
(CHORUS)**