



# Silver Falls United Church

Sunday, May 2nd, 2010

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Congregational Responses are in **Bold** print.

\* **Please stand if able.**

## **Personal Prayer of Preparation**

Fill us with the presence of your Spirit, God, and help us grow as disciples. Help us seek those who show us how to serve neighbours through life-giving words and deeds, and make us bold to follow their example.

## **Organ Prelude**

**Introit**      Make A Joyful Noise

**VU 820 Refrain vs 1 Refrain**

## **Call to Worship** (responsively)

One: The Spirit of God is in this place

**All: We come to join in celebration of the spirit**

One: I say again; the Spirit of God is in this place

**All: We come to add our voices to the praise of God**

One: I say again; the Spirit of God is in this place

**All: We come to receive God's wisdom and renewal**

One: All creatures of our God and King let us worship, let us sing

**All: For the Spirit of God is in this place**

**Prayer of Approach** (responsively)

One: We are called to listen to what the Lord is saying to us

**All: To listen to the voice of love and forgiveness. To act out our faith today.**

One: Listen... We are called to see what the Lord is doing

**All: To see the small miracles around us today. To act out our faith today.**

One: Look... We are called to believe!

**All: Amen.**

**Opening Hymn** It Only Takes A Spark

**VU 289**

**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)

**God you have called us to be pilgrims, always on a journey with you. Forgive us when we tire of the journey and seek security rather than the open road. Forgive us when we feel the risk of the journey is too great. Help us enter into the mystery of the journey, the struggle and the joy, keeping ever before us the journey's end. Amen.**

**Words of Assurance**

One: We turn to God in faithful trust. Forgiveness is ours. Thanks be to God!

**"Lord's Prayer" – Act I****Faith in Action****Life and Work of the Church****Children's Hymn**

This is the Day  
**VU 412, vs 1 & 2**

**Theme Conversation****Children's Hymn**

**VU 412, vs 3**

**"Lord's Prayer" – Act II****Introit for the Word**

One: The pages of scripture hold many things, O God. You have inspired poetry, song and story. You

have called many people to faithfulness through these words. Open to us your meaning so that we might be the people God would have us be. Amen.

**Scripture Readings:** (to be read by Marion Sherwood)

First Reading:

**Acts 11: 1-8**

Reader: These are our sacred stories

**All: Thanks be to God**

Psalm: **VU 871 Psalm 148**

Epistle: **Revelation 21: 1-6**

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

Gospel: **John 13: 31-35**

Reader: Glory be to you, O God

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

### **Ministry of Music**

CGIT Alumni Choir: Let There be Peace on Earth  
(arr. Allen Bustin)

### **"Lord's Prayer" – Act III**

### **Liturgical Dance – "The Lord's Prayer"**

### **Offertory Invitation**

One: God calls us asking "Whom shall I send?" Our response to God is in our giving of ourselves, our

gifts and our abundance. Let us receive our morning offering.

## **Receiving our Offerings and Par Cards**

**Offertory Hymn** Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

**VU 216**

## **Dedication of Offering**

O God, You give to us in measure,  
So great we cannot count the ways  
We offer back all that we treasure  
All that You gave throughout our days

We are Your stewards on this great earth  
We must learn to provide for all  
Help us, O God, to seek the moment  
Your will is done, You heal us all.

**Offertory Prayer** (unison)

**God, we offer this money as a means to serve. May we serve you also in our attitudes and faithfulness, our care and compassion, our skills and our gifts. We ask you to receive ALL that we have to offer in the name of the Risen One. 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!

**Closing Hymn**    I Danced in the Morning  
    **VU 352 vs 1, 2, 3 & 5**

## **Commissioning and Benediction**

One: The Spirit of God is in this place

**All: We joined in celebration of the spirit**

One: I say again; the Spirit of God is in this place

**All: We came to add our voices to the praise of God**

One: I say again; the Spirit of God is in this place

**All: We came to receive God's wisdom and renewal**

One: All creatures of our God and King we have worshipped, let us sing

**All: For the Spirit of God goes with us.**

## **Choral Blessing** (tune-Edelweiss)

May the Lord, gracious Lord,  
 Bless and keep you forever,  
 Grant you peace, grant you grace,  
 Courage in ev'ry endeavour  
 Glory to God, may He hear our song  
 Guard and guide you ever,  
 May the Lord, gracious Lord,  
 Bless and keep you forever.

## **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 and Bulletin are dedicated in loving memory of Lila Shillington, Judy Barchard, Gena Daley and Georgena Myra by the Silver Falls Quilters.**  
**In loving memory of George and Mildred Redstone by John and Lorraine Redstone and Larry and Debbie Josselyn**

**Scripture** for Sunday, May 9th – **Shelly Shillington**  
**Acts 16:9-15**  
**Psalm 67**  
**Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5**  
**John 14:23-29**

**Greeter** for May 9th – **Evelyn & Murray Ewart**  
 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.

**Tashia Phillips, Hartley Biggs, Marion Stackhouse, Marguerite Gault & Betty MacDougall**

## **CHURCH & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A **Flea Market/Book Sale/Bake Sale** is taking place on **Saturday, May 8** from **8:30am to 12:30pm** in the C.E. Hall.

Just in time for spring cleaning! As they say, one man's junk is another man's treasure. Be sure to drop off your flea market "treasures" to the CE Hall prior to May 8.

Volunteers are still needed to set up the hall on Friday evening – many hands make light work! Donations for the Bake Sale table and canteen would also be appreciated. We are also looking for volunteers to transport the unsold items to Value Village at the close of the Flea Market. There are sign up sheets at the back of the church if you would like to help out on May 8th. Thank you.

**UCW** meeting to be held on **Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm** in the parlour. Everyone is welcome! Always looking for new members!

**Scout Lunch** following the service on Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Silver Falls is now on Facebook!!** A new facebook page has been started to keep you informed of what's going on here in our Church Community! It's a great way to keep in touch, share thoughts, advertise events, a link to our website, and to be

able to share all this information with your friends!  
Join now!

**Treble Clef Singers** are having a concert on:

WHEN: MONDAY MAY 17, 2010

WHERE: Forest Hills School, Glengarry Drive off of  
the Westmorland Road, East Saint John, NB

TIME: 7:00PM

Along with our guest performers we would like to take you on a sentimental journey with music from the fortys and fiftys. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available from any Treble Clef member or at the door.

Trinity Church, Saint John is hosting one of the finest church choirs in Canada, the Kings College Choir from Halifax. This extraordinary choir is directed by Paul Halley who has five Grammy awards to his name, including one for a recording he made with Pete Seeger. The choir will be in Saint John on May 14<sup>th</sup> to celebrate the Ascension with a Choral Eucharist at noon and an evening concert at 7:00pm, Trinity Church. Come and support this great choir and enjoy some of the most wonderful music on earth. A free will offering will help to defray the cost of the choir's tour.

Saint Andrews United Church, Norton, NB,  
of the APOHAQUI/NORTON/KINGS KIRK PASTORAL  
charge Celebrates **100 YEARS**: May 23, 2010 at 2  
PM. Guest Speaker, Special Music & Reception

**Rebels With A Cause – Dinner and Silent  
Auction, May 6, 2010 6:00pm** at the Lily Lake

Pavilion. **Tickets are \$65 (with a \$35 tax receipt).** Honouring Phyliss Beckingham (Romero House), Arlene Brawley & Mary Beth McCurdy (Sophia House), Elizabeth Weir (Efficiency NB) for their outstanding contributions to the Greater Saint John Community. Hosted by the Elizabeth Fry Society of Saint John, NB Inc. For information, contact Marian Perkins at 696-4017

# CELEBRATIONS!

Happy Birthday to You  
To Jesus be true,  
May God's richest blessing,  
Abide unto you.

**Happy "90<sup>th</sup>" Birthday to Verna Thompson!!**

Hope all your wishes come true  
and that you have a great birthday!!

## HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAYS

Rev. Angela Cory  
Wendy Bennett  
Karen Bustin  
Nicola Bustin  
Chuck Carter  
Jillian Crawley  
Marguerite Gault  
Howard Innis  
Mya Kilpatrick  
Andrew Conley

Amy McGovern  
David Morrison  
Tashia Phillips  
Debbie Pittman  
David Pollard  
James Potter  
Gayle Powers  
May Ross  
Jamie Ryan  
Emily Thompson

Debra Watson  
Barb Woollven

Hugh McGill  
95th Birthday  
May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 - 4:00pm  
Loch Lomond Villa Auditorium  
IT IS A SURPRISE PARTY!  
He would love to see his friends  
from Silver Falls, so drop by  
and have a cup of tea.  
Best Wishes only.....

**For Reflection:** Once I Sat Upon A Pew

I sat once upon a pew, I sat and heard the preacher ask, "We need someone to teach a class, Now who will take this task?"

Then God sat down beside me there and said, "Son, that's for you."

"But, Lord, to stand before a class is one thing I can't do. Now Bill would be the man to call, there's nothing he won't do. I'd rather hear the lesson taught from here upon my pew."

Once upon a pew I sat and heard the preacher ask, "We need someone to lead the songs, now who will take this task?"

Then God sat down beside me there and said, "Son, that's for you. But Lord, to sing before a crowd is one thing I can't do. Now Brother King will do the job, there's nothing he won't do. I'd rather hear the music played from here upon my pew."

Once upon a pew I sat and heard the preacher ask, "I need someone to keep the door, now who will take this task?"

Then God sat down beside me there and said, "Son, that's for you."

But saying things to strangers, Lord, is one thing I can't do. Now Tom can talk to people, Lord, there's

nothing he won't do. I'd rather someone come to me and greet me on the pew."

As years just seemed to pass me by, I heard that voice no more. Until one night I closed my eyes and woke on heaven's shore.

'Twas four of us together there to face eternity. God said, "I need just three of you to do a job for me."

"O Lord, I cried, "I'll do the job, there's nothing I won't do."

But Jesus said, "I'm sorry, Friend, in Heaven there's no pew."

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