

SILVER FALLS



UNITED CHURCH



Sunday Service

February 05th, 2012

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This bulletin is in Large Print.
Congregational Responses are in Bold print.
****** Please stand if able******

Organ Prelude

Personal Prayer of Preparation

When I need silence, when I am still,
When I am weary help me rest in you.

Introit

**God is here! As we your people meet to
offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller
measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here, as in the world around us, all our
varied skills and arts wait the coming of the
Spirit into open minds and hearts.**

Life and Work of the Church

Call to Worship (from Ps. 147, repeat words/*actions*)

Builds up (*hand on hand, like laying bricks*)

Gathers (*pull arms in gathering motion*)

Heals the broken hearted (*lift arms, palm up*)

Binds up their wounds (*wind bandage over arm*)

Determine the number of stars (*point to sky, count*)

Abundant in power (*muscle arms*)

Lifts up downtrodden (*as if to lift another to the side*)

Casts wicked to the ground (*turn to other side, push*)

Prayer of Approach

Sometimes, God, we pray with others, for healing and wholeness, and joy in your presence. At other times we need to be on our own, alone with our thoughts and concerns, the things that weigh heavily upon us. In this time of worship may we find times of togetherness and solitude. We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

Opening Hymn Praise to the Lord Almighty VU 220

Call to Confession

Sometimes we think we are too busy to take time to pray. Without seeking God's help we are less effective; troubles mount and we become overwhelmed, busier and busier as we try to cope. How can we afford not to take time to pray!

Prayer of Confession

One: Patient God, there have been times when we have been too busy to stop.

All: We have hurt ourselves by becoming disconnected from you. *(pause)*

One: There are times when we have hurried along, unseeingly.

All: We have failed to notice those on our doorstep reaching out for help, for healing, for love. *(pause)*

One: There are times when the noise of our activity drowned out your call.

All: Drowned out the cries of the lonely, the forgotten, the ignored in our community. Receive our confession.

Words of Assurance (from Is. 40:28-31)

Hear these words from Isaiah: Do you know? Have you heard? God is everlasting, the Creator of all that lives. God does not tire or wear out; God understands more than we can imagine. In God, those who faint, even the powerless, receive strength. Rely on God and renew your strength – fly on wings like eagles, run with endless energy, continue on and you will not grow tired. Do you know? Have you heard? God is everlasting – rely on God and renew your strength.

Children's Hymn **Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands**
Verses 1 and 2 VU 570

Theme Conversation

“The Frog Who Wouldn't Give Up”

Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
 Hallowed be thy name,
 Thy kingdom come,
 Thy will be done,**

Sermon “Here, Be, Do.”

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Faith in Action

Offertory Invitation

Receiving our Offerings and PAR Cards

Offertory Hymn Your Hands, O Christ **VU622**

Dedication of Offering (sung)

**We give you but your own, whate’er the gift
may be; all that we have is yours alone, we
give it gratefully.**

Offertory Prayer

Closing Hymn He Leadeth Me **VU 657**

Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Blessing May the God of Hope Go with Us
Verses 1 & 2 VU 424

Organ Postlude



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.

Samuel Arthur, Bruce Mowery, May Ross, Verna Thompson, Kayla Daigle, Barbara Janes, Robert Mitchell, Rev. Angela Cory, Winnie Fortune, and our members who are residents of nursing facilities.

Scripture for Sunday, Feb. 12th Creighton Bustin

2 Kings 5:1-14

1 Corinthians 9:16-23

Psalm 30 VU 757

Mark 1:40-45

Greeters for Sunday, Feb. 12th ~ Wayne & Nancy Doucette
Thank you goes out to all Readers & Greeters for all your help!



Duty Team for February

**Barb & Bill Mahaffy, Corinne & Paul Carpenter, Hartley Biggs,
 John, Barb & Sarah Woollven**

Church & Community Announcements



World Day of Prayer 2012 – Let Justice Prevail March 2, 2012 7 pm Church Sanctuary

Please join us & invite your friends & family to attend the **World Day of Prayer** service to be held at Silver Falls United Church. Learn about Malaysia and its unique culture & heritage. Join Christians in more than 170 countries & 2000 communities across Canada who will gather on the World Day of Prayer to pray & act in solidarity with the people of Malaysia.

The regular monthly UCW Meeting will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 7th at 7pm in the parlour. All women of the church welcome!



Join us on February 12th for our **Sweetheart Social – Coffee Hour** after church. Board Members are asked to provide the sandwiches, breads and cookies.

UCW Knit-a-thon will be held on Saturday Feb. 25th in the Memorial Hall. All knitters welcome and pledge sheets are available at the back of the church. Please help support this worthy cause.



Congregational Meeting is on February 26th immediately after church starting with a lunch. Last names A-M bring sandwiches & N-Z sweets.



New members will be received on Easter Sunday, April 8th. Anyone interested in joining Silver Falls United Church please contact Rev. David Cleveland at 696-1410 or email nero@nbnet.nb.ca.

Tax receipts are available on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

Silver Falls United Church has numerous groups meeting throughout the week. If you would like your group included please contact the office.

U.C.W. Quilters 12:30-3:00, Mon & Wed

UCW 7 p.m. 1st Tuesday

Senior Choir 7:30 p.m. Thursdays

Bible Study 10 a.m. Wednesdays

Unified Board 7pm 3rd Tuesday

Beavers & Scouts 6:30pm Wednesdays

Cubs 6:30pm Tuesdays

Explorers & CGIT 6:30pm Mondays

Telephone Pioneers – Heart Pillows 2nd Wed of the Month

Mark on your calendar these upcoming, fun events!

-March 17, Luck of the Irish Game Night (Family game night with Ice cream social)

-May 12, Mother's Day Brunch, more information to follow.

God never gives us discernment in order that we may criticize, but that we may intercede. ~ Oswald Chambers

Pancake Supper Shrove Tuesday Feb. 21, 4:30-6:30 at Portland United Church. Adults \$7, kids under 12 \$4, Kids under 2 Free. Tickets available please call 632-4030.

Any concern too small to be turned into a prayer is too small to be made into a burden. ~ Corrie Ten Boom

Attention all UCW's, Fundraising Committees, Scouting, Guiding, Preschools, Day Cares, those who cater to receptions and anyone else in the congregation who finds themselves preparing food in the church kitchen. Glen View United will be hosting **The ABC's of Food Safety Education Session on Feb.28 at 2 pm** and a repeat presentation at 6:30 pm. Ron Maclsaac, a NB Public Health Inspector, will lead the session. The presentation usually runs between 1-2 hours. Please register at 696-3773.



Volunteer Mentors Needed Be a mentor and friend to a woman from the Newcomer community. Mentors are needed to help Newcomer women learn more about the community. Share your knowledge and develop cultural awareness. The time commitment is only four hours a month for five months.

For more information contact **PRUDE Inc.** at 634-3088 or visit our website

www.prudeinc.org



If you would like to be on our email list then please email the office at silverfalls@nb.aibn.com and ask to be added. You can also find us on Facebook under **Silver Falls** and we would love for you to join us as it is updated often! Our new Google calendar is now online on our website and always up to date. If you forget when an event is taking place, you can quickly find it at www.silverfallsunited.ca.

The Education and Students' Committee of Saint John Presbytery is sponsoring a continuing education opportunity on the **Gospel of Mark**. While this is intended primarily for Licensed Lay Worship Leaders, everyone is welcome. The event is on **Sat., March 17, 9 - noon at Centenary-Queen Square United Church**, Those who wish may gather for lunch following the event. **To register** call Don at 634-8288

We pray for marine safety, that the International Maritime Organizations and all the Marine Safety inspectors may be blessed in their efforts to ensure that ships are safe and crews are well trained.

On Sunday, Feb. 19th, St. Mark's United Church will be welcoming a special guest to our pulpit: **Lt. Governor the Honourable Graydon Nicholas** will be presenting the message to the congregation and to the Scouts & Guides who will also be in attendance celebrating Lord Baden-Powell Sunday. There will be a soup, sandwich & dessert luncheon following the service. Tickets for this gathering will be \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under, and can be obtained either by contacting the church office (672-3320) or any member of our choir. All are welcome, but seating is limited.

Balance

So much struggling – realizing that I need a balance between
reaching out and reaching in.
I need to do some things just for me,
like paint and play and read and build sandcastles. I need to stop for
a long time, to think about that.
Where did I miss it? Lose it?
For joy is the centre of ministry.
Joy should precede ministry,
nurture it and fulfill it.
But I am so intense about ministry,
and take it so solemnly
(as if I were responsible for it)
that I become weighed down by its ups and downs, its
disappointments and failures.
I suffocate with seriousness...
I imagine everything depends on me –
when everything is God's business,
and God has already taken care of
all her creation and all her people.
We are only to walk with each other
be with each other,
God's is the healing, the growing, and the fulfilling.
When I lose perspective and imagine everything (or most things)
revolving around myself,
I make myself a little god, and lose my joy.
For I was never made to be a little god –
only to be loved by the Great God.
Perhaps I am too busy trying to love other people instead of learning
to love myself.
When I can do that I might begin to understand
how great God's love is.
When I go thru' darkness, heaviness and anxiety, it is God's invitation
for me to stop looking outwards and start looking inwards
and be loving and gentle with myself.
I am called to minister for my own joy.
When my joy diminishes, so does my ministry.
When I have fun and enjoy myself God does! Then I am most like
God – who is joy!