

A Warm Welcome to All Who Gather for Worship

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For years in Church we taught people to stand up and sit down. Stand up and sit down. And then we were angry with them for only knowing how to stand up and sit down. Vibrant churches learn, feel, grow, shout, dance, laugh, jump, play, cry, love...and believe it or not, we still remember how to stand up and sit down.

January 24, 2010

Epiphany 3

(Congregational responses are in bold type.)

*Please stand as you are able)

Prelude: *Fugue in C* (J.S. Bach)

Welcome and Announcements

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Lighting the Memorial Candles and the Peace Candle

Call to Worship

Hymn: #591 VU *Jesus, United by Your Grace*

Prayer of Approach:

**You call to us God, sharing your dream for this world...
inspire us, so your dream becomes our dream, your stories of
your teaching become our way of living.
May your grace flow forth from the page and into our lives.
Amen.**

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Postlude: *Rejoice in the Lord* (Wilhelm Kern)

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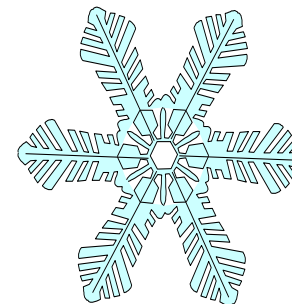
*The prayers and sympathy of the congregation are extended to the family of Henry Eric "Harry" Moores who passed away on January 9, 2010**, and to the family of Eugene "Gene" Charles Day who passed away on January 14, 2010. Please keep both families in your thoughts and prayers in the coming weeks.
**(With sincere apologies for typing errors in last Sunday's bulletin. D.L.).*

Stewards responsible for checking the church:

this week – January 24 – John Hill

next week – January 31 – Harry Dunfield

Scriptures for January 31: Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6;
I Corinthians 13:1-13; Luke 4:21-30.



Hymn: #87VU *I Am the Light of the World*
 Theme Conversation and the Prayer of Jesus

Invitation to Confession
 Prayer of Confession
 Assurance of Pardon

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

First Testament Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10
(Ezra reads the Torah at the Water Gate)

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 19 (VU p.740-741)
(The heavens declare the glory of God.)

Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
(Now you are the body of Christ and each one a part of it)

Anthem: *We Will Walk in the Light* (Besig and Price)

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:14-21
(Jesus reads from Isaiah, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.")

Prayer of Illumination

Message: *Isn't that Mary and Joseph's Boy?*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn: #626VU *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

Minute for Mission

Offering Our Gifts to God: *When Hands Reach Out Beyond Divide*
 (#169 *More Voices*— composer unknown, from *Southern Harmony*,
 1854 edition)

Dedication:

*As they offered gifts most rare
 at the manger crude and bare,
 so may we with holy joy,
 pure and free from sin's alloy,
 all our costliest treasures bring,
 Christ, to you, our heavenly King.*

Words: William Chatterton Dix ca. 1858, alt. Music: Conrad Kocher 1838, adapt. William H. Monk 1861.*

Offertory Prayer

**O Great Dreamer: plant in us your ways,
 that in our dreaming, our imagining, in our hopes, and in our
 prayers,
 we become the fulfillment of all that is possible
 in our world,
 our neighbourhood,
 this place,
 and in each of us. Amen**

Prayers of the People

WE ARE SENT FORTH

* Hymn: #699VU *Live into Hope*

*Commissioning and Benediction:

**We have heard God's words read and spoken
 and we will trust that the Spirit is upon us!
 Inspire us to the living fulfillment of all that is possible with
 you, God of Love, God of Mercy, God of Grace.
 Amen.**

*Choral Benediction

***Go to the world! Go into all the earth.
 Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,
 baptising as the sign of our rebirth.
 Hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah!***

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Announcing

LIFE of the CONGREGATION and the COMMUNITY

JANUARY 24-30, 2010

Today 11:15am Children's Choir practice

Tuesday, Jan. 26 10:30am Tuesday Study Group

Wednesday, Jan. 27, 7:30pm Official Board Meeting.

Thursday, Jan. 28, 7:00pm Adult Choir Practice



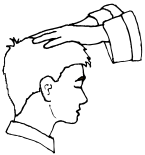
The Youth Group still has eleven **2010 United Church calendars** for sale – only \$5.00 each.



Church in Action committee of Saint John Presbytery has initiated a **toiletry drive** for the four agencies we support throughout the year. Please collect *new* toiletry items in either family or individual size. Items to purchase include, soap, shampoo, toothpaste/brushes, hair combs and brushes, lotion (hand and face) deodorant, razors, sanitary products and mouthwash **without alcohol**. Call Carolyn Kimball 849-9618 the second week of February for pickup or send the items along with the presbytery reps for the meeting of the 9th. *CiA thanks you for your support to these agencies.*



Are you interested in participating in morning worship by **reading the scriptures**? Please sign up on the side bulletin board.



If you are interested in **confirmation** this year or if you are interested in exploring faith questions as it relates to this United Church of ours, please call the church office (847-4924) and let Rev. Audrey know... classes will start in early February.



We need...

Gently used items: queen mattress, 1-2 end tables, small shelving unit or bookcase. Please call Barb McBean at 847-2275 (message can be left.)



Reminder that there is an urgent need for donations of **non-perishables** food items for the KV Food Basket.

Labrador has 32 communities of various statuses. The largest in terms of population is Happy Valley-Goose Bay with 7970 residents. The smallest is L'anse Amour with a reported 15 residents. In Labrador there are two Innu band councils in Natuashish and Sheshatshiu. There is also a private town called Churchill Falls and it is operated by the Churchill Falls Labrador Corporation.

The items that we will be sending north travel by truck from Moncton to Labrador City, then by intra hospital services to Happy Valley. The trip to Labrador City is 1139 km by truck and a further 528 km to Happy Valley. Elizabeth Oguntuase, site manager of Acute Care Services in Happy Valley will look after the distribution of the items we send. Many of the towns she serves are accessible by water or air, there are no roads.

Each week we will profile several of the towns in the Labrador Grenfell Health Authority District. The need is great; our only restriction is the number of boxes our trucker will transport so we must be mindful of bulky items.

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday, Feb.3, 7:30pm **Adelaide Barbour UCW meeting.**



The Social Committee invite you to attend and **evening of curling** at the Riverside Country Club on Friday, Feb. 5 at 7pm; cost \$10 per person; no experience necessary. You must sign up on the bulletin board so enough ice time can be reserved.



Sunday, Feb.14, following worship, **Shared meal and Annual Congregational Meeting.**



Annual Pancake Supper; Tuesday, Feb. 16, 4:30-6pm. Please confirm your attendance by filling in the enclosed slip and placing it in the offering plate.

KENVAL UNITED CHURCH SUITES NOTICE:

Our **Annual meeting** will be held on Tuesday, Feb.23/2010, at 7:30 p.m., in the Church Parlour at Quispamsis United Church. All are welcome. Please enter the church at the lower door, off Sunrise Dr., and a board member will direct you from there.

*** DETAILS OF THESE ANNOUNCEMENTS ON BULLETIN BOARDS***

*Check out the announcements and other information from **Maritime Conference**, currently updated regularly.*

*Portland UC looking for a **Minister of Young Families**.*

***Youth Worship Session;** today, 6:30pm at Edith Avenue Baptist Church.*

***Annual Community Swim;** Saturday, Jan.23, 6-7:30pm at the Canada Games Aquatic Centre.*

***Winterfest 2010;** Friday, Feb. 19 - Sunday, Feb. 21.*

