

AUGUST 4TH, 2019 HOPE UNITED CHURCH 10:30 AM

WELCOME

(▲ Please rise in body or in spirit)

Prelude

Welcome and Life & Work of the Church

Birthday Coins for the Birthday Church!

Happy Birthday to you. To Jesus be true.

May God's richest blessings abide over you.

Lighting the Christ Candle

God is here

All the time

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▲ Song of Invocation **VU # 264 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise***

Call to Worship (responsive)

God of wonder, God of light,

Open our hearts and minds to your amazing love,

Expand our understanding of what is possible through vulnerability,

Deepen our listening for your spirit's nudging,

Root our living through your self-giving.

God of light, God of discovery,

Open our souls to your gracious touch,

Expand our understanding of humility,

Deepen our empathy for the stranger,

Root our lives in your grace.

God of discovery, God of wonder,

Walk with us this day.

Opening Prayer (together)

Creator God, we confess there are times we do not trust in you as we should. We worry about not having enough, and we find ourselves moving further and further from faith in your abundance, which will sustain us. We get scared, and that fear can make us faithless, mean-spirited, and judgmental. Forgive us for losing faith and forgetting that your abundance has lasted through the ages and will last forever.

We are forgiven people. We need not live in fear, for you are forever present Lord. Your love is abundant. Let us rejoice in knowing that you will provide all that we need each day. Under your loving care, let us work with faith and trust, in partnership with your creation, so that everyone may know your abundance. Amen.

▲ Hymn **MV # 92 *Like a Rock***

Time for All Ages

We Hear the Word of God

Scripture: Psalm 107: 1-9, 43

 Luke 12:13-21

 For the word of God in scripture, among us and within us...

Thanks be to God!

Ministry of Music *Praise Him, I Will Praise Him* ~ Richard Varner

Reflection ~ Caitlin Smithers

▲ Hymn **MV # 4 *All Who Are Thirsty***

Prayers of the People & **The Lord's Prayer**

We Offer our Gifts

Presentation of our Offering

▲ Sung Response (MV #183)

***I'm gonna to 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.***

***For whatever I might do today,
at home, at school, at work, at play,***

I've got Jesus' love deep down inside me!

▲ Prayer of Dedication

We Journey Forth

▲ Sending Hymn **MV # 26 *Your Love is Amazing***

▲ Commissioning & Benediction

▲ Song of Dismissal **MV # 216 *Wherever You May Go***

Postlude

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Thanks to Today's Participants:

Presiding Today: Caitlin Smithers
Greeters: Bev Dauphinee & David Carnell
Announcements: Helga Wotherspoon
Elevator: Parker Verboom
Audio/Visual: Paul Verboom
Bulletin Folder: Eli Colaiacovo

Rev. Sean is on vacation from August 4-18.

Pastoral Care Concerns can be directed to the Pastoral Care Team

Diane Ashton: 902-454-4785

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Pastoral Care Emergency coverage will be provided by:

Rev. Kevin Little

Summer 2019 at Hope United

- ⊛ **Hope United worships each Sunday morning at 10:30 am**
- ⊛ **Rev. Sean on vacation: August 4-18**
- ⊛ **Nancy on vacation from office: August 6-30**
- ⊛ **Seniors Meet & Greet: Wednesdays 10-11:30 am**
- ⊛ **Chair Yoga: Tues & Thurs 11 am – noon**
- ⊛ **Amharic Language class: Saturdays 1-4**
- ⊛ **Saturday Men's Breakfast: Aug. 17th 8:30 am**

A warm welcome is extended to all.

Visitors are invited to sign the guest book in the church entry.

Newcomers, please fill out a WELCOME card so we can get to know you.

There is a Social Time in the Lower Hall following worship.

Announcements for August 4th

**Condolences are extended to friends & family of
Audrey Eisnor who passed away in Riverview, NB on July 21, 2019.**

Thanks for your generosity! Sabrina and Jana took all of Hope United's wonderful donations to the Hunter Street location of Phoenix House. They are going to use some on the items at that location and the rest will go to their youth outreach program on Coburg Road. They were very appreciative. See photo on bulletin board!

Hope on FaceBook: Thank you to Jana Forgrave who has volunteered to take over as administrator of Hope's FB page. Jana will be happy to get any info and especially pics of current news & events. Let's spread the word about all the great things happening at Hope United. forgravejana@gmail.com

An advisory committee is being formed to follow through on the decision to update the sanctuary, including new church seating. The committee will include two volunteers from the congregation. If you are interested, please speak to committee members Janet Ward or Barb Baker, or contact the church office at 455-0261.

Hope needs a New Treasurer - I am stepping down as Treasurer as of Jan 1, 2020. If you are interested and able to volunteer an average of 4 hours per week and have knowledge of Quick Books, please call or write Sue Hawkes at suehawkes11@gmail.com or 902-483-0728.

Used Clothing Fundraiser: In the Fall, the Christian Life & Growth Committee will be holding a used clothing sale. Donations of clean, gently-used items (no personal items i.e. undergarments) will be welcomed. Collection continues though the summer. Drop off donations labelled "Clothing Sale" at the church during office hours.

Save the Date! Brunswick Street Mission's annual fundraising breakfast will be held on **October 9th** with guest speaker Lt. Gen. Romeo Dallaire (ret). See poster on bulletin board.

Fire at Barran Barbershop: We were saddened and concerned to learn of a suspicious fire at the Barran Barbershop on July 6. Insurance will help with expenses, but the barbers will be without income until the shop can be repaired and reopened. If you are able to help, please see the GoFundMe page at: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/barran-barber-shop-support>