
**BETHANY UNITED CHURCH
OF THE EAST DISTRICT, NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
CONFERENCE**

Worship Led By: Men's Fellowship Club
Organist for Today: Leslie Forward
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April 18, 2010 - 11:00am

GATHERING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD
"Music in our Hearts"

Introit: (unison): Come, Holy Spirit

Come as wisdom to children, come as new sight to the blind
Come, Lord, as strength to my weakness, Take me soul body and mind.

Come, Holy Spirit, I need you, Come, sweet Spirit, I pray

Come in your strength and Thy power, Come, in Your own gentle way.

Come like a spring in the desert, come to the withered of soul

O let your sweet healing power, touch me and make me whole. **Chorus:**

CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: I have a song that Jesus gave me, It was sent from heav'n above;
There never was a sweeter melody, 'Tis a melody of love.

**All: In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a melody with
heaven's harmony; In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a
melody of love.**

One: I love the Christ who died on Calv'y, for He washed my sins away;
He put with in my heart a melody, and I know it's there to stay.

**All: In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a melody with
heaven's harmony; In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a
melody of love.**

One: I will be my endless theme in glory, with the angels I will sing; 'Twill
be a song with glorious harmony, when he courts of heaven ring.

**All: In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a melody with
heaven's harmony; In my heart there rings a melody, there rings a
melody of love.**

WELCOME AND LIFE & WORK OF OUR CHURCH

Opening Prayer: (In Unison)

**Spirit of God, descend among us, we pray. We are a complacent
people, content with singing our hymns, praying our prayers, hearing
your word. Set us straight, turn us around and guide us in your light.
Speak to us in our blindness, that we may see the light! May we, in
our worship, not only see you clearly, but also follow where you lead.
Amen.**

Hymn: Come, Let us Sing of a Wonderful Love VU 574

Prayer of Confession:

You call to us, Jesus, to try one more time. We have worked in the
darkness and known little light. We have been pushed to our limits. But
you call us to cast our nets. We believe. May we be strengthened by
your forgiveness. Bless us more than we deserve. The glory is yours.
The gain is ours. Amen.

Words of Assurance:

Weeping may linger the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Scriptures: John 21: 1 - 19

Anthem: Men's Club (I Rather have Jesus)

Hymn: I Love to Tell the Story VU 343

**Meditation: Music (The importance of Hymns and Gospel songs in
Modern Worship)**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Hymn: (during offering) Because He Lives

God Sent His Son, They Called Him Jesus;
He Came To Love, Heal And Forgive.
He Lived And Died To Buy My Pardon;
An Empty tomb Is There To Prove My Savior Lives.

Chorus:

**Because He Lives, I Can Face Tomorrow
Because He Lives, All Fear Is Gone
Because I Know, He Holds The Future
And Life Is Worth The Living Just Because He Lives**

How Sweet To Hold A Newborn Baby,
And Feel The Pride And Joy He Gives;
But Greater Still the Calm Assurance:
This Child Can Face Uncertain Days because He Lives. **Chorus**

And Then One Day, I'll Cross The River;
I'll Fight Life's final war with pain.
And Then, As Death gives Way To Vict'ry,
I'll See The Lights Of Glory and I'll Know He Reigns. **Chorus**

Offertory Prayer: (Unison)

God, You have shown us how great Your love is by sending Your Son to be our victorious, ever-present, loving, living Saviour. How we praise You for giving us a life that's worth living. We thank you for all these gifts today, given to be used in your name and your work, to make this world a better place. Thank you, God, for being our loving and forgiving Father. Amen.

Anthem: How long has it been?

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

L: For life, for light, for the after glow of Easter, the one once crucified alive, and lives, and living. For the settling of the dust of ages, and the hope we share in God eternal,

P: We give you thanks and praise.

L: For the joy that comes in the morning after the weeping of the evening, for the rising of the daystar that heralds the glory of the eternal sunrise, for your love which finds us, and with our consent changes us,

P: We give you thanks and praise.

L: Our thanksgiving is joyfully raised for your constant attention, your patient striving, and the harvest of peace which waits for the season you have chosen, for the Lamb that was slain who lives and reigns,

All: We give you thanks and praise. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession and Lord's Prayer

L: For those breathing fire and thunder, like the apostle Saul, threats and murder, against the word, against hope, against life, for those who have

taken a wrong turn,

P: For these we pray. Let your light shine on ever one. Let your light shine on us all. May we all be changed!

L: For the self-satisfied, the smug, the sure, those who believe they have no need of good news, whose self-perception of perfection has closed the door - at least for now - on the turning around, the transformation, the chance to grow - to be saved.

P: For these we pray. Let your light shine on ever one. Let your light shine on us all. May we all be changed!

L: For the mirror on our lives, that we may admit it is for ourselves, not some nameless others, for whom we pray. Blind us with the truth, that we may be granted new sight in your light. Amen.
And in His Name we Pray -...Our Father.....

Hymn: It is no Secret

The chimes of time ring out the news; another day is through
Someone slipped and fell, was that someone you?

You may have longed for added strength, your courage to re - new
Do not be disheartened, for I bring hope to you.

**It is no secret what God can do
What He's done for others, He'll pardon you
With arms wide open, He'll pardon you
It is no secret what God can do.**

There is no night, for in His light you'll never walk alone
Always feel at home wherever you may roam
There is no power can conquer you while God is on your side
Just take Him at His promise; don't run away and hide. **(Chorus)**

Ephesians 1:9 says God's secret plan has now been revealed to us: It is a plan centered on Christ, designed long ago according to His good pleasure. The Lord Jesus provides the strength and courage each step of the way. We need not "run away and hide," for God is with us.

Commissioning:

Go. God has made us instruments to bring the name of Jesus before all the people of the world!

Benediction:

Go with the peace of God into the world with the light of the world.



We welcome everyone to our Worship this morning, with a special welcome to all visitors.

Memorials

A Memorial has been received for the Memorial Fund to the glory of God and in loving memory of father John Parsons, brother Samuel & nephew Christopher Turnbull from Shirley Vaters (Toronto)

Memorial have been received to the glory of God and in loving memory of the late Albert Nicholl from:

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| Elaine Wareham | Bruce & Leslie Forward |
| Nora, Jack & Jai Blount & Doris Abbot | Pauline HARdy |
| Shirley Moulant & family | Graham Moores |
| Olive & Winston Thoms | Rick & Pauline King |
| Wendy & David Parrott | Frances Piercey |
| | Thomas & Jean Swain |



Happy Birthday to.... Gertrude Meadus who will be celebrating her birthday on Wednesday (April 21). Best Wishes from family and friends here at Bethany!

REMINDERS

Bible Study: next April 20 (Tuesday) @ 10:30am!!!

Congregational Meeting - Today following the 11am Church Service. Also **JNAC Reports** are now available and can be picked up in the front vestibule.

FAMILY MOVIE DAY!!!! TODAY @ 2pm, Carbonear Cinema, Movie will be THE TOOTHPAIRY, cost is \$5.00 per person (pay

at cinema) includes movie, drink & popcorn. Everyone Welcome!!!!!!!

Reminders to Men's Service Club Luxury Estates service TODAY at 2pm.

Council Meeting: Thursday night at 7:30pm!

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

LOCK CHANGE

One day during the week of April 18th, the locks for the church will be changed and new keys cut. These keys will be numbered and will also have "do not duplicate" printed on them. If you require a new key, please contact Lisa (596-6754). You will be required to sign a form which will show the key number and have certain conditions attached for its use. This is being done strictly as a SECURITY MEASURE because we currently do not know how many keys are out there nor do we know who has them. Thank You.

Sincerely,
Don Brown
Vice Chair, Board of Trustees

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP CLUB FRESH FLIPPER SUPPER

Fresh Flipper Supper Take Out on Friday, April 23, 2010 from 4:00pm-6:00pm, cost is only \$10.00 per ticket, and the tickets are available from any Men's Fellowship Member or the Church Office.

UCW TAKE-OUT TURKEY COLDPLATE

UCW will be having a Take-Out Turkey Coldplate on Wednesday May19th, cost is \$8.00 per ticket, and the tickets are available from any UCW member. Thank You!

This Week At Bethany
TODAY

Congregational Meeting following our morning service
2pm- Service at the Luxury Estates
2pm- MOVIE DAY at the Carbonear

Cinema featuring THE TOOTHFAIRY

Monday

6:30pm- Songbirds,

7:30pm- Senior Choir

Tuesday

6pm- Guitar

Thursday

7:30pm- Council Meeting

Friday

7pm- Explorer's

Next Sunday: 11am- Worship