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

Organist for Today: Leslie Forward
Organist/Choir Director: Leslie Forward - **Supply**
Organists: Sharon Dean, Ruth Davidge, Louise Drover
Caretaker: Wayne Parsons **Secretary:** Lisa Butt
Clergy: Rev. Harry J. Whitehorne
Website: www.bethanyunitedchurch.com
February 14, 2010 - 11:00am

GATHERING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Theme:

Jesus Christ, God's love incarnate, is the great mystery that always remains a mystery to us. The closer we come to understanding God, the more mystified we are that God is for us. To be a Christian is to be in love with the grand mystery who is God, Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit. The mystery of God is not a problem to be solved, a question to be answered, but rather a relationship to be enjoyed.

INTROIT: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord - Senior Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP:

- L: We gather to worship the living God, whose glory is revealed to us in the stars and the sun.
- P: We gather to worship the eternal God, whose power is seen in the spinning of the planets and in the fathomless depths of outer space.**
- L: We gather to worship the loving God, whose righteousness for Christians is revealed in Jesus the Christ.
- P: We gather to worship the holy God, whose glory is imparted to us by the Spirit that makes us one.**
- L: Let us worship in spirit and in truth.

WELCOME AND LIFE & WORK OF OUR CHURCH

OPENING PRAYER: (Unison)

Holy and Eternal God, you know our need for you, our need for your love to warm our hearts, for your Spirit to sustain us, for your presence to make us whole. Help us to wait upon you now with penitent and believing hearts - help us to hear your word, to see your glory, to feel your touch, and to follow in the way your Spirit leads us. In the name of Jesus Christ

our Lord we ask these things. Amen.

HYMN: "Immortal, Invisible..."

VU # 264

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (Unison)

As we move from Epiphany into Lent, O God, we pause on our journey because we find ourselves in the presence of great and mysterious things. The Transfiguration brings us close to that which is holy and which we can never understand. Forgive us if we sometimes doubt and turn away when we are confronted by things that we cannot explain. We need your strength to help us continue on our journey. For this we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Words of Assurance:

May we know that all of us are being transformed from one degree of glory to another. Be sure that the Holy Spirit will always be with us to help us on our journey of faith. Amen.

WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURES: Exodus 34:29-35 - Patsy Rodgers &

Luke 9:28-36 - Christine Noel

ANTHEM: He Cares For Me - The Senior Choir

HYMN: "Open My Eyes..." **VU # 371**

SERMON: "ENJOY THE MOUNTAIN-TOP, BUT DON'T FORGET THE VALLEY"

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

HYMN: (during offering) - We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding" **VU # 104 (Tune: All The Way)**

Offertory Prayer: (Unison)

Bless these offerings, generous God, and bless those who have made them in your name that your work may be done. Grant that our commitment to you may be renewed through our giving. That we also may hear you say, This is my beloved, in whom I am well pleased. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

HYMN: "Be Thou My Vision"

VU # 642

Commissioning & Benediction

WELCOME

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

MEMORIALS

Our **Bulletins** today are donated to the glory of God and in loving memory of **father William J. Penney** from Son Mike & Family.

AND

A memorial has been made to the **M & S Fund** to the glory of God and in loving memory of **grandson Zach Rowe** from Nan & Pop Reg, LOVE YA LOTS!!!!!!!

AND

A memorial has been made to the **Memorial Fund** to the glory of God and in loving memory of **father John Parsons** from Shirley & Graham Vaters & Family (Toronto)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible Study: Tuesday Morning @ 10:30 here at the church



TODAY!!!!!!!!!!

Our Sunday School will be hosting their Annual Sundae Sunday at 12:00pm (after church)!!!! This is a fundraiser for our Foster Child Pogsada, all donations will be greatly appreciated! *Come along, have some fun, and enjoy your dessert before dinner!!!*

THANK YOU!!!

Thank You to everyone again for all your donations to Haiti! The total of donations was \$2529.38!!!!!! \$498.00 of this total was from loose offering from Choirfest 2010!!!!!! Thank You!

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
will be Sunday, Feb. 28th @ 7pm

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP ANNUAL SOUP, PANCAKES & ICE CREAM
on Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2010, 5:00pm!!!!

Price: Adults \$5.00 & Children \$2.50 (no takeouts)
Tickets are available from any member of the Bethany Men's Fellowship Club or at the Office.

UCW NEWFIE MUG-UP
Saturday, March 13th, 2-4pm
Adults \$5, Children \$2.50

Get your tickets from any UCW member!!!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TOO...

Herman Butt who is celebrating his birthday on **Tuesday (Feb. 16)** and to **Cyril Legrow** who is celebrating his birthday on **Saturday (Feb.20)**

This Week At Bethany

Monday

6:30pm- Songbirds

7:30pm- Senior Choir

Tuesday

6pm- Guitar

Friday

7pm- Chums

Next Sunday

11am- Worship

