
BETHANY UNITED CHURCH

OF THE EAST DISTRICT, NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR CONFERENCE

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GATHERING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Theme:

Jesus encountered fierce opposition and resistance to his words and work. Still he tells us that to walk with him we must walk a narrow, demanding way and to be prepared for resistance and rejection. Jesus is particularly demanding of those who would be his disciples.

INTROIT: Voice United 410

CALL TO WORSHIP: (based on Psalm 5)

One: People of God, we gather here on this day to hear the Lord of life speaking to us through music, word, and song.

All: We celebrate the continuing call to follow Jesus through God's word and our own resolve.

One: We recall God's deeds and we remember God's works and ponder the things that God has done.

All: God, you are the one who works wonders; you have shown your strength among nations.

One: By God's grace we are redeemed.

WELCOME AND LIFE & WORK OF OUR CHURCH

OPENING PRAYER: (Unison) **God of love, we follow you this day and every day. Having counted the cost of discipleship we remain resolved to be your people. We gather here because you have found us, and we have answered your call. May we enter into your fellowship through your Spirit and our actions. Be with us in this time of worship. We ask in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Hymn - "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven" #240VU

Prayer of Confession: (Unison) **O God, we confess the blindness that is not even aware of sinning; the pride that dares not admit that it is wrong; the self that can see nothing but its own will; The righteousness that knows no fault; the callousness that has ceased to care; the heart that is**

too hardened to repent. God forgive us; through Jesus Christ, your Son.

Words of Assurance

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." God grants us pardon from all our sins.

WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURES: 2 Kings: 2 :1-2, 6-14 - Peggy Brown
Luke 9: 51-62 - Janet Hiscock

Musical Selection:

My Hope is Built

My hope is built on nothing less
Then Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Chorus:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sank.

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

When He shall come with trumpet
sound,

Oh, may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.
Amen.

Hymn - "Lead On, O Cloud of Presence" #421VU

Sermon You Can't Make Me!

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Hymn: - (during the offering) "Take Up Your Cross" #561

Offertory Prayer: (Unison) God, we give thanks for the work that has been done in this place. If our offerings can build up your kingdom, even in the smallest way, we will know that we have been a part of something that will last forever. Thanks be to God. Amen.

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

Hymn - "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" #651VU

Commissioning: In the power of the Holy Spirit, we now go forth into the world to fulfill our calling as the people of God, the Body of Christ.

Benediction:

Go in peace, love and care for one another in Christ's name, and may the blessing of Christ Jesus be upon every one of you, may his mercy uphold you; his compassion guide you; and his strength sustain you, both now and forevermore. Amen.