

---

# 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 Drouver

*Caretaker:* Wayne Parsons *Secretary:* Lisa Butt

*Clergy:* Rev. Beverly (Youth & Christian Education) & Rev. Stephen (Worship & Pastoral Care)

**October 18, 2009 - 11:00am**

---

## GATHERING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

CHORAL INTROIT: *TOUCH THE EARTH LIGHTLY*

WELCOME AND LIFE & WORK OF OUR CHURCH

OPENING PRAYER:

God of a grace that abounds everywhere and a love that has shown no limit, we surrender the painful memories and the hurtful passions of this day. We pray for clarity in this moment of worship and if not clarity, then grant us the assurance that we are loved and surrounded with a devotion that has been with us since our beginning and will always remain. Calm each soul bowed in this time of prayer. Quiet each heart caught in the hurriedness of humanity. We pray that we be lifted in love and our souls strengthened for service. Here we are Lord and we can find no other as great and loving as you. Pour out your presence upon us and lead us in this time of song and prayer. In the name of Jesus, we pray. AMEN

HYMN: I, The Lord of Sea and Sky (509)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of mercy and granter of pardon, like a child that hides in play, at times we hide ourselves from You. Our sins make us feel ashamed and our omissions of service hurt your other children in faith. By your mercy, pour forth your grace that we be found, not as faulty servants, but people of faith found forgiven. We remember before you our sins and ask for your soul freeing pardon. We also pledge our hopes and intentions of more loving service. In the name of Jesus Christ, we make this prayer. AMEN

SONGBIRDS: *FOREVER*

HYMN: Eternal Father, Strong to Save (659)

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE: Job 38:1-7, 34-41 - Gladys Tucker  
Mark 10:35-45 - Alliston Champion

SERMON: *Big, Bigger, Biggest....or Faithful*

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION & THANKSGIVING

OFFERING - MINUTE FOR MISSION (Miriam Moore)

- Hymn: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah (651)

- Offertory Prayer:

Loving Provider for our world, we pray for greater conscience as we make decisions on what and how to share. We have made a decision today and we pray that what we offer is pleasing in thy sight and gives true witness in Christian Service. Bestow blessings upon what we share and on what we hold back, so that all in some way will be used in love. In the name of Christ, we pray. amen

## WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

REQUESTED HYMNS:

BENEDICTION

## THIS WEEK AT BETHANY

*Today - 2pm - Service at Luxury Estates*

*Tonight - 7pm - Grace Gospel Singers*

*Monday - 7:30pm - Senior Choir*

*Tuesday - 10:30am - Bible Study (all welcome)*

*1-4pm - Hobby-time - ALL WELCOME*

*Wednesday - 7pm - Junior Youth Group*

*Thursday - 7pm - Trustees meeting at Manse*

*Friday - 7pm - Explorers*

*Saturday - 4:30/5pm - UCW Take Out and Fall Sale*

*Sunday - WORSHIP - Bring a friend and share the Lord*

Quotes to Live By:

1. *Peace is not made with friends. Peace is made with enemies.* -- Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin
2. *Don't bother to give God instructions; just report for duty.* -- Corrie ten Boom

## WELCOME

Our **Bulletins** today are donated to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Marcus & Nellie** Noel from daughters Sylvia White, & Marilyn McCarthy & families.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TOO.....Carrie Moores who will be celebrating her birthday tomorrow (Oct.19th) and to Virtue Kelloway who will be celebrating her birthday on Friday (Oct.23rd)! Best wishes from all your family and friends here at Bethany!**

### BETHANY UCW FALL SALE / HOT ROAST BEEF SUPPER

on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>. Take-Out starts at 4:30pm and

Eat-In starts at 5:00pm. Tickets are: Adults \$8.00

and Children \$4.00 sold at the door. Also if anyone can help donate some food items please see sign up sheet in the front porch. Thank You!!!!

### SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

We need a Sunday School Teacher/s volunteer, if you are interested please contact Karen Comerford @ 596-7736/3005 or the Church Office @ 596-6754. Thank You

**Please Note:** On Tuesday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, Carbonear & Harbour Grace Women Institutes will be hosting the **Annual Shower in support of the Gift Shops** at the Carbonear Hospital & Harbour Lodge Senior Citizens Home.

This shower will be held at the St. James Anglican Church Hall in Carbonear beginning at 7:30. Come along and bring a friend!!!!!!

**Welcome Packages Available:** Our church family warmly welcomes any newcomers into our midst, and now has welcome packages available for your information and (we hope) enjoyment! Please introduce yourself to one of our ushers/greeters/clergy, and we would be happy to provide a welcome package for you!

### Bethany's Back on the Worldwide Web!

Thanks to one of our Council co-chairs, Keith Thomas, and our Communications Committee Chair, Bert Parsons, our church website is up-and-running nicely! We have updated graphics and information, a counter, and interesting new links that include announcements, bulletins and sermons, as well as committee and group information! Lots of info is there for our young people as well! This is a *great* way to find out what's happening and help members keep in touch, especially when they are unable to attend. Its also a great way to outreach to people who may be searching online for a church family to call home! Why not spread the word and check it out for yourselves? Also, if you have any comments/suggestions, please let us know! Updates will be occurring regularly, so keep your eyes open!

**Delegates Needed:** Our Council is seeking people to represent our congregation at the Fall/Spring meetings of East District! We need people to volunteer as *delegates* (with voting privileges), as well as *alternates* (who attend, with voting privileges, when a delegate is unable to attend). As a pastoral charge, we are privileged to send *four* delegates to each meeting, in addition to our clergy. That means that we are allowed to have *four* delegates PLUS *four* alternates (in case the delegates are unable to attend).

When/Where are the meetings? The Fall meeting is held at Burry Heights, while the Spring meeting is usually held at the home pastoral charge of a person being ordained for ministry. Each meeting is held from a Friday evening through to Sunday morning.

What would be your duties? Delegates/Alternates are asked to attend *as much as possible* of each meeting. (For example, some delegates are only able to attend for the Saturday.) During the meetings, they are invited to share in table group listening/discussing, and to vote on any matters that arise. (They also have opportunities to meet new people, experience meaningful worship and have loads of fun!) Following each meeting, they are asked to share something of their experience, especially any pertinent news, with members of the pastoral charge/congregation. (This *may* be done orally, *or in note form*, in a bulletin insert, etc.)

What might being a delegate cost? Nothing. All expenses for both delegates and alternates are covered.

Who would be best suited? If you are interested in experiencing and learning more about the wider church, in sharing in fellowship with others who also care about the church, and in growing in your faith through the sharing of faith-filled experiences, then *this may be your opportunity* to contribute in a special way to the ministry we share!

How do I get involved? Please contact one of our Council co-chairs, Jackson Butt and Keith Thomas, or one of your clergy! Both clergy are also delegates to District, and would love to welcome you to this exciting opportunity to share in the ministry of the wider church!

### THIS WEEK @ BETHANY TODAY

2pm- Service @ Luxury Estates

7pm-Grace Gospel Singers

### MONDAY

7:30pm-Senior Choir

### TUESDAY

10:30am- Bible Study

1-4pm- Hobby Time

6pm- Guitar

### WEDNESDAY

7pm-Youth Group

### THURSDAY

7pm-Trustees Meeting

@ Manse

### FRIDAY

7pm- Explorers

### NEXT SUNDAY

11am-Worship/