

CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH

Lunenburg, Nova Scotia

The United Church of Canada

Sunday, February 11, 2018

Transfiguration Sunday

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Scent-free Policy at Central United

We encourage everyone to recognize that some members of our Church family are very sensitive to strong odours. There is a designated seating area for this purpose.

The music for the weekly sung responses (e.g. Gathering, Offering) is available on laminated sheets which are located in the Narthex.

Prelude

Greetings

Gathering Music: *Come Touch Our Hearts*

(MV 12)

*Come touch us now,
we people who are gathered,
And bless this day,
our sharing and our love.
That we may meet with hearts and souls united,
our fire for life ignited,
come touch and bless us now.*



(Words and music: Gordon Light, 2002. Words modified – Rev. Grace Caines-Corkum, 2012.)

Hymn: *"We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding"*

VU #104

Invitation:

One: Majestic mountains, snow-capped and glistening as sentinels to the glory of creation

All: Mountains – places of family ski trips and a habitat for wildlife

One: Wondrous mountains, mysterious places of sojourns and discovery.

All: Mountains – obstacles for the explorers and frustration for developers

One: Sacred mountains – home of the holy, places of spiritual awakening, giving us a vision for the future.

All: Mountain top – the place where we can look around us and feel the hand of God.

Welcome

Gathering Prayer:

Oh Gentle Spirit,
 we are called to go to the mountain top.
 And we follow, not quite sure of what is to happen.
 But we like mountain tops,
 we like the view from up there,
 we like mountain top experiences.
 Sometimes we need mountain top experiences,
 when our days are dark and dreary,
 when our hearts, are heavy,
 when the valleys seem more depressing than ever.
 Sometimes even in an ordinary Sunday morning service we can find that
 mountain top.



God of life, may we feel and find that in this moment this morning –
that our hearts are filled with light,
we are filled with love,
we are filled with hope.

We are aware, that just as Jesus' disciples were changed by their
experiences on the mountain – we too can be filled with the sacred and the
holy. And like Jesus may we be called “Beloved” and able to walk the
necessary and often hard steps that might be ahead. Amen.

The Prayer of Jesus

Minute for Mission

Offering our Gifts:



Regular Offering

Here We Bring, Small Or Great

*Here we bring, small or great,
gifts to offer on this plate,
what we've earned, what we own,
tithes or tokens, bread or stone,
Jesus said, "Have a care – your heart will always be
where your riches are, where your riches are".*

(Please stand, as you are able, when the Greeters/Elders bring forward the Offering)

Dedication of Our Offering:

*Wild flowers grow, birds find seed,
God attends to each one's need;
as we share, all can live,
as we love, we learn to give,
Jesus said, "Have a care – your heart will always be
where your riches are, where your riches are."*

Scripture: Mark 9: 2 - 13

*May we but wait upon Love's word.
Knowing our prayer is heard. (Sing twice)*



Gift of Music: "God Be In My Head" (Jeff Enns)
Senior Choir

God Be In My Head - Jeff Enns

God be in my head,
and in my understanding;

God be in mine eyes,
and in my looking;

God be in my mouth,
and in my speaking;

God be in my heart,
and in my thinking;

God be at mine end,
and at my departing.

Sermon: "The View From The Mountain"

Celebration of Communion

Communion Hymn: "Bread of Life" MV #194

"This Is The Body Of Christ" sung response

Communion Prayer (Insert)

Sharing the Bread and Cup

"Please note that a gluten-free option is available."



Hymn: "Be Thou My Vision"

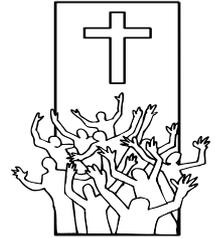
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Benediction

Sending Us Out: “We Wish You The Blessing”

(Words by John Oldham, music by Ron Klusmeier)
(Copies of music available in the narthex.)

*We wish you the blessing of faith to sustain you,
friends to support you,
challenge to stir you,
songs to empower you,
peace to refresh you,
tears to release you,
laughter to heal you,
love to nurture your soul*



Postlude

WELCOME

Welcome to our Sunday Service. If you are a guest with us, please sign the “Guest Book” at the back of the sanctuary and introduce yourself to our Minister.

ELDERS

Everett Mason
Corella Courtney

GREETERS

Helen & Fred Bennett

AFTER CHURCH SERVICE TODAY, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11th

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held in the church hall following today’s Sunday Service. Please bring your bag lunch. Coffee & tea will be provided.



COMING WEEK

CENTRAL CHURCH FAMILY POT-LUCK – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH

6:00 pm – This is a “traditional” Pot-Luck so you are welcome to bring a contribution of either main course or dessert.

Please bring your own dishes and utensils.

This will be a fun games evening so bring along your favourite board game or cards.

If anyone would like a drive, please call the church office by

Friday, February 16th (902-634-4035).



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH – LENT I

10:30 am – Regular Service

LOOKING AHEAD

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

1:30 pm – UCW Meeting – Fellowship Room

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

7:00 pm – Board Meeting – Fellowship Room



CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFIRMATION CLASSES – 2018

Rev. Grace is offering Confirmation Classes this year. She is inviting any young people (14 or older) to get in touch with her in the coming weeks. If you are interested, please email her at (centralunitedch@bellaliant.com) or phone: (902-634-4035) and leave your name, phone number and email address so that she can be in touch with you.

Please respond before Sunday, February 11th.

Also, if there are any older adults who would like to become a church member through confirmation or reaffirm their confirmation vows – please get in contact with Rev. Grace by the same date.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE SPRING NEWSLETTER

We are seeking contributions for the Spring Newsletter.

Please submit stories, book reviews, recipes, jokes, or cartoons and Thank you!



This Week at Central United:

Wed., February 14 th	11:00 am	'Living the Questions" Study Group – Fellowship Room
Wed., February 14 th	6:30 pm	Choir practice – Fellowship Room
Wed., February 14 th	7:45 pm	Handbell Choir practice – Sanctuary
Friday, February 16 th	10:00 am	Adult Study Group – Fellowship Room
		

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH – 4:30 TO 6:30 PM

Pancake & Sausage Supper presented by St. Andrews' Presbyterian

Location: Central United Church Hall

Menu: Pancakes, sausages, coffee/tea & gingerbread w. whipped topping



Prices: Adults - \$7 Children (6-12) \$3 Children (under 6) – Free

2018 LENTEN CAFÉ FELLOWSHIP & WORSHIP

Where: Zion Lutheran Church Hall

When: Wednesdays in Lent

Time: 11:00 to 11:45 am

Hosting Clergy/Church:

February 14 – St. John's Anglican

February 21 – St. Norbert's Catholic Church

February 28 – Central United

March 7th – Zion Lutheran

March 14th – St. Barnabas Anglican

March 21st – St. Andrew's Presbyterian

Offering to Lunenburg Food Bank

Music and Meditation for Lent 2018, begins on Wednesday

February 14 at noon at

St. John's Anglican Church 81 Cumberland St, Lunenburg



Wednesday, **Feb 14 @ noon:** The Babysitter's Club

Park View students – Grace Adams, Addie Burkam, Emily Challis

Wednesday, **February 21 at noon** – **John Scott, organ**

Wednesday, **February 28 at noon** – Glenn Patscha, piano/vocals