

**CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH**  
**Lunenburg, Nova Scotia**

**The United Church of Canada**  
**Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

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**Guest Pianist:** Jade Ley  
**Lay Reader:** Carolyn Tanner

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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:** *“Come, Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love”*

**VU 574**

**Invitation:**

One: From the comfort of our homes and the warmth of our kitchens,  
From the easiness of Sunday morning and the relaxation of the  
weekend

**All: We gather together here.**

One: From the joy of August vacation to another hectic fall  
From the slower pace of vacation to the busy schedules of September

**All: We gather together here.**

One: From the stress-filled news of the world and the struggles of our daily  
lives

**All: We gather together here.**

One: We come together bringing all that has happened this past week – our  
work, our relaxation, our anxiety and our celebrations.

**All: We put everything on hold, and clear our minds and our  
calendars, to be in this place this morning.**

One: Here, we pause to reflect, to be thankful, and to be re-inspired for the  
week and month ahead.

**All: Let us be together in one spirit and one heart – and to bask in the  
love that surrounds us.**

**The Prayer of Jesus**

**Welcome**



## Minute for Mission

Offering our Gifts:

Regular Offering

Choral Dedication:

### *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,  
tithe or token, 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: Luke 15: 1 - 10

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



## Time of Quiet Reflection and Introduction to Hymn:

Hymn: “Amazing Grace”

VU 266

Sermon: “Finding the Lost”

## Prayers of the People

Hymn: “I Heard the Voice of Jesus”  
(Tune: VU #625 – “Kingsfold”)

VU 626

## 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

Volunteers

### GREETERS

Peggy & Doug Greek

### TODAY – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>

**ANNUAL FISHERMEN'S MEMORIAL SERVICE - 2:00PM**

**Lunenburg Waterfront**

**Everyone is welcome!**

### 2018 CANADIAN CHURCH CALENDARS

2018 calendars are available from the Church Office for \$5.00 each. If you are interested, please call: (902-634-4035)

or email: [centralunitedch@bellaliant.com](mailto:centralunitedch@bellaliant.com)

**THANK YOU** to Everyone who worked at the United Church Chowder Supper, held on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> (during Folk Harbour Festival). The supper was a great success with final total earned of **\$1,525.00!**



### CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FALL NEWSLETTER

We are seeking articles, stories, poems or recipes for our Fall Newsletter which will be available on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Please drop off your contributions to the office

(or email: [centralunitedch@bellaliant.com](mailto:centralunitedch@bellaliant.com)). **Thank you!**

Newsletter

## COMING WEEK

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>

7:00 pm – Stewards' Meeting – Fellowship Room

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>/THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>

Floor re-surfacing in the Church Hall – no entrance until Thursday evening

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>

7:00 pm – Session Meeting – Fellowship Room

**Copies of the Agenda for this meeting can be found in the Narthex (green paper). If you would like to add an item to the Session Meeting Agenda please contact Rev. Grace before Wednesday – September 13<sup>th</sup>.**

## LOOKING AHEAD

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>

10:30 am – Regular Service

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm – Handbell practice – Sanctuary

7:30 pm – Board Meeting – Fellowship Room

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>

10:30 am – Regular Service

Celebration Sunday & Benevolent Fund Offering

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup> (9:00 am – 2:00 pm) &

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> (Noon – 2:00 pm)

YARD SALE – Central United Church Hall

(For pick-up of donations: call Brenda @ 902-634-8066.



### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> – WORLD WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY

10:30 am – Regular Service

Celebration of Communion

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

6:00 pm – Men's Social Supper – Church Hall

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup> – THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

10:30 am – Regular Service

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11<sup>TH</sup>

10:00 am – 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of "Living the Questions" study group – Fellowship Room

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup>

10:00 am – 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Adult Study Group – Fellowship Room

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup>

10:30 am – Regular Service

CKBW taping of our church service this Sunday

**NOTE:\*\* Fallfest previously planned for Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> has been cancelled.**

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>

10:30 am – Regular Service

## CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP – HAVE A LOOK AT THE CATALOGUE**

If you would like to sponsor one of these bulletins for a Sunday Service in 2018, please call the church office.

### **GRETTA VOSPER VISIT IN SHELBURNE**

**Date & time:** Monday, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, sessions begin 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm

**Place:** Trinity United Church 36 St. John Street, Shelburne, N.S.

**To Register:** Contact Joanne McFadden at: **1-902-875-2943** or

**tuc.shelburne@ns.sympatico.ca**

The registration fee will be yours to determine – a free-will offering – either in advance of our time together or upon your arrival. Please be generous in support of this important exploration.

### **SOUTH SHORE PRESBYTERY, UCC FALL WORKSHOP**

**Date & time:** September 30<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am to 3:30 pm

**Location:** Wesley UCC, 22 Drews Hill Rd, Petite Riviere

**There for the Day:** “Speaking the Truth in Love ...”

**Morning Session:** “*UCC: Past, Present, and Future*” with guest presenter, the Rev. Dr. Ross Bartlett, Atlantic School of Theology

**Afternoon Session:** “*The Blanket Exercise Workshop: The Indigenous Rights History We’ve Never Been Taught*” led by Kairos members and Elder.

(Lunch provided: no charge). (More information in Central’s Fall Newsletter)

### **UCW INVITATION - WEST SIDE UNITED CHURCH, PENTZ**

The Friendship Unit United Church Women of West Side United Church in Pentz, invite you all to a gathering on **Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3:00 – 4:30 pm**. The program will be a slide presentation and commentary by Ruth Rudderham, focusing on her trip to Vancouver, BC, in July for the **UCW’s 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event “Celebrate Spirit”**. This invitation is extended to anyone who would be interested in hearing about this special national gathering of United Church Women.

### **CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH DIRECTORY, 2017**

A copy of a **new Church Directory** for **Central United** is sitting on the counter outside the Secretary’s office door. Please look at the entry for your family.

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **LUNENBURG DOC FEST - Sept. 21-24, 2017**

Join us at the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of Lunenburg Doc Fest. The festival is proud to feature the World Premiere of **Lunenburg, Where the Land Meets the Sea.**

For more information, **contact:** Pamela Segger at: 902-523-FILM (3456)