

July 1, 2018
Long Reach United 9:30 AM

Pentecost 6
Westfield United 11:00 AM

Two Rivers Pastoral Charge
An Affirming Ministry of the United Church of Canada

WE GATHER IN HOPE

Prelude

* indicates "to stand as able"
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Acknowledging the Traditional Territory

"As we gather to worship let us pause to remember that in this region we live and work and worship on lands that are, by law, the unceded territories of the Wabanaki peoples – predominantly the lands of the Mi'kmaq, Maliseet, Passamaquoddy and Penobscot. May we live with respect on this land and live in peace and friendship with its people."

Welcome Bienvenue Kulaslhkul

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Gathering Music *"Spirit of Life"* *Voices United* 381

*Spirit of Life, come unto me.
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;
move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.*

Call to Worship:

God be with you,
And also with you.

Universal Portrait Studios are coming to our Churches **September 26, 27, 28 & 29th to shoot portraits for our Church Directory.** You will receive a phone call to book your sitting in early September.

Linnea Good Concert – Circle your calendar – **Thursday, August 16, 2018 at 7:30 PM in Westfield United Church.** This is a 1 ½ hour concert for all ages. Linnea is a contemporary Christian singer, song-writer and storyteller who will be accompanied by her husband, David Jonsson. She has 4 of her songs/hymns in "Voices United", and 10 in "More Voices". There will be a reception following in the hall. Cost: Adults (over 16) \$10, children (6-16) \$5, under 6 no charge. Bring your family and friends and enjoy an evening of great music and much more!

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Lectionary Reading for July 8, 2018

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10, Psalm 48
Ezekiel 2:1-5, Psalm 123
2 Corinthians 12:2-10, Mark 6:1-13

Commissioning and Benediction:

Sending Forth: “Go Now In Peace”

*Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,
know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love and show you believe,
reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there within, around, above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.
Amen, Amen, Amen*

Worship Resources:

Hymns: I Have Called You by Your Name, 1995 Hope Publishing; For The Fruit of All Creation, 1970 Hope Publishing; We Have This Ministry, 1979 Desert Flower Music; Spirit of Life, 1981 Carolyn McDade Harmony, 1992 Unitarian Universalists Assoc; Teach Me God to Wonder, 1973 Walter Farquarson, 1974 Ron Kluseier
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Readers: *Margaret Stackhouse (W); Anne Titus (LR)*
Greeters/Offering: *Wilma Biggins/Margaret Stackhouse (W)*
 Ross Titus & Girls (LR)
Minute for Mission: *Eleanor McClune (W); Anne Titus (LR)*

LIFE AND WORK OF OUR CHURCH

Looking for meaningful Volunteering? Look no further... The Salvation Army has many areas needing your efforts! Please call today 634-7166.
Thank You, Louise Armstrong, Volunteer Coordinator.

ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL will be held on **Tuesday, July 10th, 2018, at The Hampton United Church** from 4:00 – 6:00 PM. Menu will include: potato salad, coleslaw, marinated carrots, ham, brown bread, homemade rolls and a scrumptious strawberry shortcake made with homemade biscuits. \$12.00/person, children under 12 eat free.

In this season of new beginnings,

We gather to worship God.

Some of us come in joy.

We gather to worship God.

Some of us come in sorrow.

We gather to worship God.

Some of us come with questions.

We gather to worship God.

Some of us come with confidence.

We gather to worship God.

Let us worship God!

Let us worship God!

Opening Prayer:

Holy God,

God of beginnings and endings and new beginnings,

Be with us as we gather to worship today.

Be with us as we begin our journey together.

Be in our hearts,

in our minds,

in our words,

in our silences;

Always transforming us more and more

into the image and likeness of Christ.

We pray in the name of the one

in whose name we are gathered.

Amen.

***Opening Hymn:** “Teach Me, God, to Wonder” *Voices United* 299

Prayer of Awareness:

God of all times and places,

**on this day when our Country is celebrating our national holiday,
open our hearts to your vision for the world.**

Forgive us for the times

when we as your people, have not lived in to your vision –

for our history of Residential Schools,
for ongoing racism in our country,
for allowing people to live in poverty,
for destroying the land and waters that you have created.

As our hearts are opened to your vision,
empower us to be the Body of Christ
so that we might live in your ways.
Amen.

Moment for Silent Reflection

Words of Assurance

A Story for All Ages

*Hymn: “We Have This Ministry” *Voices United* 510

WE LISTEN WITH HOPE

Scripture Readings:

Psalm 130 (Voices United p. 853 – second refrain)
Mark 5:21-43

Reader: *This is the witness of God’s people.*

Musical Selection

Reflection

WE RESPOND IN HOPE

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen

Minute for Mission

Offering Invitation

Offering

Offering Hymn: “For the Fruit of All Creation” *Voices United* 227, v2

*In the just reward of labour, God’s will is done.
In the help we give our neighbour, God’s will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing, God’s will is done.*

Offertory Prayer:

Ever-Giving God,
we thank you for all that you have given to us,
and in gratitude we return a share back to you.
May the gifts that we offer be transformed into
food for all who are hungry,
healing for all who suffer,
shelter for all who are homeless,
and love for all who are lonely;
And may we too be transformed by our giving,
into the image of Christ,
your greatest gift of all.

Amen.

WE SCATTER IN HOPE

*Closing Hymn: “I Have Called You By Your Name” *More Voices* 161