

August 12, 2018
Long Reach United 9:30 AM

12th Sunday After Pentecost
Westfield United 11:00 AM

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

WE GATHER IN HOPE

Prelude

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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 Kulashkul

Life and Work of the Church

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship:

God be with you.

And also with you.

We can see God's artistry in the sunset skies,

And we praise God.

We can hear God's voice in the music of wind and waves,

And we praise God.

We can feel God's touch in the hug of a loved one,

And we praise God.

We can smell God's hope in the rain after drought,

And we praise God.

We can taste God's presence in a bite of bread and a sip of juice,

And we praise God.

Let us worship God!

Summerville Art Festival will be held on Saturday, August 25 from 12 noon until 5:00 PM, in support of Summerville United Church. For further information see the bulletin boards in your church or contact <http://summervilleartfestival.com>

A Very Special Occasion! Please come and join family and friends in celebration of *Freda Sheldrick's 100th Birthday* today, Sunday, August 12th from 2 to 4 pm at St. Bridget's Community Hall, 1784 Route 845 in Summerville. Best wishes only!

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Worship Resources:

Sung Benediction: *Go Now In Peace.* Reproduced with permission under Licensing #605755
Spirit of Life, Carolyn McDade Harmony; For The Fruit of All Creation, Hope Publishing

Readers: *Brian McKnight (LR); Bertis Sutton (W)*
Greeters/Offering: *Lois Miller (LR); Eldon Smith (W)*

Lectionary Reading for August 19th

1 Kings 2: 10-12, 3: 3-14; Psalm 111; Proverbs 9: 1-6; Psalm 34: 9-14;
Ephesians 5: 15-20; John 6: 51-58

LIFE AND WORK OF OUR CHURCH

Vacation Bible School at Westfield will be held on Saturday evening, August 11th 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM, and on Sunday, August 12th all day from 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM at Westfield United Church. We will be exploring nature and prayer. Lots of outdoor adventures! (Maybe even an evening bonfire). We will sit down for a pancake breakfast Sunday morning before service. The children will also take part in morning service and continue the fun and exploration into the afternoon with Rev. Kate and Youth Leader Gaby! We are inviting our older youth (junior high+) to sign up to take part as youth leaders! The more youth to take part the better! This should be a fun filled weekend for all!

Long Reach Vacation Bible School will be held on Wednesday, August 15 for a full day at Gorham's Bluff, Long Reach, with registration at 9:00 AM, program beginning at 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM Our program is titled "Jesus and Friends by the Lakeshore". Beth and Pam will lead a fun filled day by the water with the children....

For more information about VBS, or if you would like to volunteer, please talk to Gaby at anderson.yfmc@gmail.com or (506) 651-2988.

Linnea Good Concert – circle your calendar – **Thursday, August 16, 2018, at 7:30 PM, 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) \$10.00; children (6-16) \$5.00; under 6 no charge. Bring your family and friends and enjoy an evening of great music and much more!

Linnea will also be leading a special worship service at Portland United Church on **Sunday, Aug. 19 at 7:00 pm.** Free will offering.

Portland United Church is currently looking for an Administrative Support Person to fill a 10 month contract position. For further information please see the posting on the Bulletin Board.

A Gospel Concert will be held on Friday, August 17, 7:00 pm at Trinity Anglican Church, Kingston. Featuring: Living Waters; Allison Inch; Bob Johnson and others. For further information contact Sylvia Campbell at 381-6150 or at the Parish Office 763-3183. See poster on the bulletin board.

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.*

Opening Prayer:

**God of all creation,
you are present in the majestic mountains,
you are present in the flowing rivers,
you are present in the silence of the "still small voice."
Move among us as we worship,
and stir our hearts and our minds
so that we can live a life of praise.
We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ,
your Word made flesh. Amen**

***Opening Hymn:** "Come, Children, Join to Sing" *Voices United 345*

Prayer of Awareness:

**God of Love,
you invite us to taste and see
that you are good;
but sometimes we close
our eyes
and ears
and hearts
to you.
Open us up to your love,
so that we might taste
and see
and hear
and smell
and feel
and know
your loving-kindness. Amen**

Moment for Silent Reflection

Words of Assurance

WE LISTEN WITH HOPE

A Story for All Ages

Scripture Readings: *Psalm 34: 1-8 (see insert)*
John 6: 35. 41-51

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

Musical Selection

Reflection

***Hymn:** *"Bread of Life, Feed My Soul"* More Voices 194

WE RESPOND IN HOPE

Pastoral Prayer

The 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

Offertory Hymn: *"For the Fruit of All Creation"* Voices United 227, verse 2

*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:

Loving God –

*you offer yourself in the bread,
and you offer yourself in Jesus Christ.*

**We offer you our time, our talents, and our treasure
so that you can be seen in the world.**

**Take whatever we offer,
and transform it into whatever the world needs;
and take our lives,
and transform us
so that your love can be seen in us.**

Amen

WE SCATTER IN HOPE

***Closing Hymn:** *"The King of Love"* Voices United 273

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*