

*CLOSING HYMN: "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness" 375

*COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

*SUNG BLESSING:

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of everyday.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He 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 watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.
Amen. Amen. Amen.

POSTLUDE

MINISTER REV. KELLY HIGGINS
ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR HEATHER FYFFE
OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR MARSHA DALEY
CUSTODIAN EDWARD GALLANT

Sunday Worship and Sunday School: 11 a.m.
Office hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 – 12noon; 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
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CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION

Welcome to all! May this worship experience be meaningful and spiritual for you. Everyone is invited to share in coffee/tea/juice/cookies and conversation in the hall immediately following the service. Greeters today are Jean Henry and Hallie Cameron and next week will be Dawn & Albert Bowie. Tellers today are Mickey & Betty Lou Flanagan and next week will be Brian & Marliese Cail. Taping the service today is Brian Cail and next week will be Chris Banks. In the Nursery today is Melissa Banks and next week will be Kelsey Ridler.

Services & Meetings this week: April 23 - 28, 2018

Monday 9:30 Shuffleboard
Tuesday 9:30 Pie Day
1:30 Women Together
Wednesday 12:00 Catering to Retired Nurses
Thursday Woolastook Presbytery Meeting

Upcoming Services & Meetings:

Apr. 29 11:00 Memorial Service (see page 5)
May 3 1:30 Pastoral Care Meeting
May 6 11:00 144th Anniversary Service of Gibson Memorial United Church & POTLUCK & CAKE
May 8 7:00 Worship
May 9 7:00 Trustees Meeting
May 13 11:00 Christian Family Sunday & Baptism & Transfer of Membership Sunday (see page 5)
May 15 7:00 Council
May 20 11:00 Pentecost Sunday
May 27 11:00 Conference Sunday. Rev. Kelly and Jean Henry will be attending conference. Guest Minister is Rev. Lisa Greenwood.
June 3 11:00 Sunday School Service & Potluck

Happy Anniversary wishes are extended to Aaron & Erin Price! On April 26, 2018 Aaron & Erin will be celebrating 10 years! Congratulations!

Sincere sympathy is extended to the Dorcas Family on the death of Helen Dorcas. Donations have been to the Living Memorial Funds in memory of Helen Dorcas by Lyman & Carrie Coy and Boyd & Helen MacTavish.

Donations have been made to the Living Memorial Funds in memory of Wilson Sobey by Valerie & Phil Barton, Nancy Worthen & Ron O'Neill, Glenn & Audrey Kitchen and Boyd & Helen MacTavish..

A donation has been made to the **Living Memorial Funds** in memory of *Virginia MacDonald* by Peter & Dorothy Snowball.

Baby Lily Update: Good news, Baby Lily, Minard & Valerie Jewett's granddaughter, was discharged from the hospital on April 10th and is doing so well. We will continue to keep Baby Lily and family in our prayers.

On Sunday, April 29th The Annual Memorial Service will be a quiet service giving us time to remember our loved ones who have passed away during the year. This service is an opportunity for you or a member of your family to come forward and light a candle in memory of your loved one. Letters will be mailed out to families of our congregation who have lost loved ones but if you do not receive a letter and would like to light a candle, please contact our office at 457-1951 or gibsonmemorial@nb.aibn.com.

Sunday May 13th is Christian Family Sunday and Mother's Day. During our service we will celebrate: the baptism of Molly Marie Doucet, the transfer of membership for new church members. If you have been worshipping with us for a while now and would like to have your membership transferred to Gibson Memorial please call the church office. Thanks.

Offerings & Attendance Update: 2018

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>	<u>+/- to date</u>
Jan. (average)	95	2,303	- 1,097
Feb. (average)	85	1,970	- 3,527
Mar. (average)	86	2,312	- 4,589
Apr. 1	101	4,040	- 3,126
Apr. 8	121	2,009	- 3,694
Apr. 15	78	2,438	- 3,833

Finance Notes:

-We need approx. \$2,577* each Sunday to meet the Budget. PAR (\$783 per week) is included in the amount for each week.

-Bulletins can be donated in memory of loved ones. The cost of bulletin covers is approx. \$20. Bulletins can also be donated for Anniversary, Birthday and for other Celebrations.

-PAR, Pre-Authorized remittance is available. Please contact the office for more information.

-\$2,577 is comprised of Local, Special Projects & Special Offerings.

Upcoming Community Events: (see bulletin board for details)

April 22 ELVIS GOSPEL CONCERT with Mike Bravener in support of Youth Ministry at Wilmot United Church, 3 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

April 28 Bel Canto Singers of Fredericton are presenting an **"East Coast Kitchen Party"** at Christ Church (Parish) Church, 7:30 p.m. (Murray McFarlane is part of the Bel Canto Singers)

April 29 Greenwood Drive Baptist Church "Special Music" evening, 7 p.m.

May 5 The UCW of St. Paul's United Church will be hosting a Bridge Luncheon at 12 noon. Call 459-7116 to book your table.

May 26 Barker's Point Lions Club Flea Market at Gibson's church hall.

May 27 Hymn-Sing & Concert at Forest Hill United Church. To request a hymn, please email forest.office@bellalliant.com by May 1, 2018.

July 16 – 20 The GO PROJECT ADVENTURE CAMP! Hosted by Nashwaaksis United Church. Grades 2 – 7. This action packed day camp will give campers the confidence to change the world one small step at a time! Children will spend time volunteering in their community and learning about their faith. For more information, check out facebook/thegoproject

Upcoming Fundraising events

Feb. 13 Shrove Tuesday Dinner – Profit: \$1,225
Mar. 21 Stuffed Pork Loin Dinner– Profit: \$960
Apr. 18 Catering to Progressive Credit Union: \$1,120

Apr. 24 Pie Day – 9:30 a.m.
Apr. 25 Catering to Retired Nurses – 12 noon

May 7 Lunch Prep – 1:30 p.m.
May 8 Catering to Folks on Spokes – 12 noon

May 15 Pie Day – 9:30 a.m.
May 16 Church Dinner – 4 – 6 p.m.

June 1 Set up for Yard Sale & Breakfast – 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.
June 2 Yard Sale & Breakfast – 8 – 12 noon

June 12 Pie Day – 9:30 a.m.
June 13 BBQ Steak or Chicken – 4 – 6 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to help with making pies, set-up, working at the dinner and clean-up, so mark these dates on your calendar! We are asking families of the congregation to donate **\$20 a year** towards the cost of purchasing supplies. (Approximate cost per dinner is \$300, excluding the meat.)

