

**GIBSON MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH**

**FREDERICTON, N.B.**

**April 29, 2018**

**11:00 a.m.**

**Memorial Service**

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**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

\*denotes standing for those who are able

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WE APPROACH GOD**

**“Our way is not soft grass, it’s a mountain path with lots of rock. But it goes upwards, forward, toward the sun.” Ruth Westheimer**

**LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

**One:** To love and be loved, that’s what life’s all about,

**All:** Lord, my God, when Your love spilled over into creation,  
You thought of me.

**One:** To love and be loved, that’s what living is for,

**All:** I am from love, of love, for love.

Together: We will bring God’s love wherever we go today.

**\*OPENING HYMN: “For the Beauty of the Earth” 226**

**OPENING PRAYER: (All) (Begin with silence)**

**God of grace and love, we thank you for the blessing of this day. As we gather as a church family, we remember that we were born for love. Inspire us to use our thoughts and words, our deeds and actions for growing love in your world. Teach us reverence for every person, all things. Energize us to bring love where there is hate, food where there is hunger, acceptance where there is indifference. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen**

**CHILDREN’S HYMN: “Like a Rock”**

**CONVERSATION TIME:**

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:**

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD**

**Psalms: Psalm 107 (Part One 1-9) 831-832**

**Hebrew Lesson: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8**

**SERMON: “Life, Heart and Hearth”**

**HYMN: “In the Bulb There Is a Flower”**

**703**

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

**LIGHT INTO THE WORLD**

**LIGHTING OF OUR CANDLES**

**A PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE: God of HOPE, we thank you for this opportunity to come together and remember all those we have loved and who have loved us in return. Thank you for the blessing our loved ones were in our lives. And now as winter turns to spring may our hearts made sore with grief blossom with hope. And may we continue to be inspired to enter each new day with a generous heart. Amen.**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**OFFERTORY and PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS**

**\*THE DOXOLOGY 541**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures high and low;  
give thanks to God in love made known:  
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.**

**\*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER: (ALL)**

**God of the Covenant, we give you thanks for our lives and the many daily blessings that have been bestowed upon us. We rejoice in knowing that “we are your people” and “You are our God.” Accept these our gifts so that your kindness and justice may be shared with the people in this community. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN: "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" 684

\*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

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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, cookies and **conversation** in the hall immediately following the service. **Greeters** today are Dawn & Albert Bowie and next week will be the Worship Committee. **Tellers** today are Brian & Marliese Cail and next week will be Lyman Coy and Margaret Allen. **Taping** the service today is Chris Banks and next week is Lorne Henry. In the **Nursery** today is Kelsey Ridler and next week will be Susan Madore.

### Services & Meetings this week: April 30 – May 5, 2018.

Monday	9:30	Shuffleboard
Tuesday	1:30	Women Together
Wednesday	6:15	Pathfinders
Thursday	1:30	Pastoral Care Meeting

### Upcoming Services & Meetings:

May 6	11:00	<b>144<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service</b> of Gibson Memorial United Church & <b>POTLUCK &amp; CAKE</b>
May 8	7:00	Worship
May 9	7:00	Trustees Meeting
May 13	11:00	Christian Family Sunday & <b>Baptism &amp; Transfer of Membership</b> 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

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

A donation has been made to the **Living Memorial Funds**, in honour of Memorial Sunday, in memory of **Bill Stewart** by Roxanne Stewart.

Donations have been made to the **Living Memorial Funds** in memory of **Helen Dorcas** by Peter & Dorothy Snowball, Sandra Pond, Stuart Henderson & Family, Rod & Hazel Stairs, Doug & Ellen Boone and Susan Dodds.

Donations have been made to the **Living Memorial Funds** in memory of *Virginia MacDonald, Walter Long and Wilson Sobey* by Barbara & David Morrison.

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

**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
Apr. 22	102	3,132	- 3,278

**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 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 5 Spring Turkey Dinner at Oromocto United Church, 4 – 6 p.m. Adults \$14 and Children under 12 - \$6
- 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](mailto:forest.office@bellalliant.com) by May 1, 2018.
- June 16 Annual Opal Family Services Community Fair, Yard Sale & BBQ, 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Gibson Memorial Church Hall.
- 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

**Like a Rock**

**Like a rock, like a rock, God is under our feet.  
 Like the starry night sky God is over our head.  
 Like the sun on the horizon God is ever before.  
 Like the river runs to ocean, our home is in God evermore.**



**Memorial Service – April 29, 2018**  
**A Candle Lighting Service in memory of**

*Victoria Scott-Kileel – Nov. 27, 2015*  
 (Valerie & Minard Jewett’s daughter)



**John Wood – July 5, 2016**  
(Carrie Coy's brother)

**Jacalyn Hulsman – March 28, 2017**  
(Anne Small's sister)

**Lloyd Boyd – April 14, 2017**  
(Charlotte Boyd's husband)

**Audrey MacDonald – April 27, 2017**  
(Jill Murray's mother)

**Roy Toon – May 6, 2017**  
(Norma Toon's husband)

**Gyda Scott – May 23, 2017**  
(Lori Donovan's mother)

**Lena MacDonald – August 4, 2009**  
(Ruth Goodine's mother)

**Mary Foster – July 14, 2017**  
(David Foster's mother)

**Jennie Coy – September 5, 2017**

**Bob Jewett – September 16, 2017**  
(Judy Jewett's husband)

**Don Hawkes – October 11, 2017**  
(Ruth Hawkes's husband)

**Bill Stewart – October 27, 2017**  
(Roxanne Stewart's husband)

**Laurie Mersereau – October 30, 2017**

(Muriel Hallett's nephew)

**Vivian Savage – November 2, 2017**

**Walter Long – January 19, 2018**  
(Barb Long's uncle)

**Carrie Scott – December 1, 1995**  
(Barb Long's grandmother)

**Gerald Boone – September 4, 2012**  
(Millie Boone's husband)

**Doug Shields – February 9, 2018**  
(Millie Boone's brother-in-law)

**Virginia MacDonald – February 12, 2018**  
(Rev. Ian MacDonald's wife)

**Stoneman Douglass High School,**  
Parkland Florida students – February 14, 2018

**Abel Bourque – March 2, 2018**  
(Diane Johnson's friend)

**Margie Manderville – March 21, 2018**  
(Margaret Allen's cousin)

**Sharon McLeod – March 23, 2018**  
(Irvine Banks's sister)

**Humboldt Broncos Bus**  
Crash victims – April 6, 2018

**Wilson Sobey – April 9, 2018**  
(Alexina Stewart's brother)

***Toronto Van Crash victims – April 23, 2018***

***Pearl Bishop*** (Beth Arsenault's great aunt)

***Neil and Lois Fletcher*** (Beth's paternal grandparents)

***Edith Hickey*** (Beth's maternal grandmother)

***Alvin Arsenault*** (Jake's father)

