

**GIBSON MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH  
FREDERICTON, N.B.**

**June 9, 2019                      11:00 a.m.                      Pentecost Sunday**

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**WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP**

\*denotes standing for those who are able

**PRELUDE                      WELCOME                      ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WE APPROACH GOD**

**“Where there is great love there are always miracles.”**

... Willa Cather

**Lighting the CHRIST candle**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

One: Come in and take your place in the church community!

**All: We come to worship and to be together in fellowship.**

One: Amazing things are happening, if only we have eyes to see.

**All: The Spirit of God is being poured out upon every kind of people.**

One: Some will see visions. Others will dream dreams. It is a hopeful time.

**All: We come to imagine a better future...to help those who need it...to feel God’s Spirit in our midst. We come to be the church. Amen.**

**\* OPENING HYMN: “Spirit, Open My Heart” (see back cover)**

**PRAYER:** (inspired by the inscription on the walls of a cellar in Cologne, Germany where Jews hid from the Nazis)

**Loving Shepherd God, inspire us to believe in the sun when it is not shining, to believe in love where feeling is not, to believe in you even when you are silent. Amen**

**CHILDREN’S HYMN: “For the Beauty of the Earth”                      226**

**CONVERSATION TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD**

**PSALMS: PSALM 100 (sung)                      820**

**GOSPEL STORY: John 5: 1-9**

**SERMON: “Make of it, what you will!”**

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC**

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

**PRAYERS OF AND FOR THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER (sung)                      959**

**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.**

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER: (all)**

**Dear God, I want to take a minute not to ask for anything from you, but to simply say thank you for all I have. I have been given eyes to see, a heart to love and hands to touch the loves of many. Thank you. Inspire me to find a way to make a difference in someone’s life this week. Amen.**

**\* CLOSING HYMN: “Teach Me, God to Wonder                      299**

**\*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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Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.

Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30 – 12 noon and 1 – 3 p.m.

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**CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION**

**Good morning and welcome to EVERYONE.** May this worship service be a blessing in your day. Everyone is invited to share in coffee/tea/juice **and conversation** in the hall immediately following the service. **Greeters** today are Beth Reid & Terry Brewer and next week will be the Worship Committee. **Tellers** today are Robert Grant & Bill Field and next week will be The Daley Team. **Taping** the service today is Lindon Miller and next week will be Brian Cail. In the **Nursery** today is Heather Randall and next week will be the Sunday School Service and all children will be included in the service, no Nursery.

**Upcoming Services & Meetings:**

June 16	11:00	Sunday School Service & <b>Potluck</b> Father's Day and Scholarship Presentations
June 18	<b>7:00</b>	<b>Council Potluck</b>

June 19	<b>4:00</b>	<b>Steak &amp; Chicken BBQ</b> (Tickets will be on sale today and next week after the service)
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June 23	11:00	Holy Communion Sunday
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Sincere sympathy is extended to **Robert Dorcas and the Bartlett Family** on the death of Robert's sister, *Eva Irene (Dorcas) Bartlett*.

**Graduate Sunday:** Gibson Memorial United Church will be celebrating our **Graduates** from High School, Community College or University on June 16<sup>th</sup>, during the morning service. **Could you please let Marsha know before or on June 12<sup>th</sup>** if you would like their names in the bulletin, thanks!

**Sunday School News:** Today the Sunday School children will be practicing for their concert, which is **June 16<sup>th</sup>** with a Potluck Lunch to follow the service. *The service will be awesome, plan to support our children and cheer from the pews!* Their Sunday School party will be **June 22, 12 – 3 p.m.** hosted by Robin Hopper & Barbara Roberts. (rain date: June 23, 1- 4 p.m.)

**Worship News:** Summer Sunday Services will be at 10:30 a.m., July 7<sup>th</sup> to August 25<sup>th</sup>. Also, great news, the **Nursery** will be supervised over the summer months.

**Mission & Outreach News:** The Food/Toiletries Cupboard is in need of toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, etc. These items can be dropped off to the church during office hours or dropped off on a Sunday. The Mission & Outreach Committee thank you for supporting their outreach projects.

**The Camp Wegesegum** "So Much More Than a Summer Camp" Newsletter is posted on the bulletin board. Day Camps are also available, for more information please contact Chelsie Rae (Doherty) at [chelsiedoherty3@gmail.com](mailto:chelsiedoherty3@gmail.com)

**Offerings & Attendance Update: 2019**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offerings</u>	<u>+/- to date</u>
Jan.	72	2,178	- 1,685
Feb.	93	2,354	- 3,042
Mar.	94	2,665	- 2,719
Apr.	118	3,412	+ 527
May 5	135	4,165	+ 2,092
May 12	101	2,293	+ 1,785
May 19	88	2,317	+ 1,502
May 26	50	1,839	+ 741
June 2	95	3,163	+ 1,304

**Finance Notes:**

-We need approx. \$2,600\* each Sunday to meet the Budget. PAR (\$947 per week) is included in the amount 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.

-\$2,600 is comprised of Local, Special Projects & Offerings.

**Upcoming Community Events:(see bulletin board for more info.)**

June 9	Stepping Stone Singers present "Well Seasoned" At Journey Wesleyan Church, 7 p.m.
June 13	Collective Theatrics presents: A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder. June 13, 14, 15 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$25 at Joy of Framing.

**Great Cycle Challenge:** Heather Fyffe & Caileigh are riding in The Great Cycle Challenge, riding through June to raise money for children's cancer research. To donate:

<https://greatcyclechallenge.ca/Riders/HeatherFyffe>

<https://greatcyclechallenge.ca/Riders/CaileighSullivan>

**Upcoming Fund Raising Events:**

<b>Mar. 5</b>	<b>Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper</b> – Profit \$1,361
<b>Mar. 27</b>	<b>Turkey Dinner</b> – Profit \$1,905
<b>Apr. 24</b>	<b>Retired Nurses Dinner</b> – Profit \$904
<b>May 14</b>	<b>Fredericton Quilters</b> – Profit \$737
<b>May 22</b>	<b>Stuffed Pork Dinner</b> – Profit \$902
<b>May 28</b>	<b>Catering to Folks on Spokes</b> – Profit \$450
<b>June 1</b>	<b>Breakfast &amp; Yard Sale</b> – Profit \$1,849
<b>June 5</b>	<b>Catering to Elm City Quilting</b> – Profit \$800
<b>June 14</b>	Catering to a Wedding - 7 p.m.
<b>June 18</b>	Pie Day – 9:30 a.m.
<b>June 19</b>	Steak/Chicken BBQ – 4 – 6 p.m.

**Notes:**

- **Volunteers** are needed for each event. If you haven't volunteered for an event and would like to, please let me know and we will welcome you! Otherwise volunteers will receive an email before each event.
- And each year we ask families of the congregation to donate **\$20** towards the cost of purchasing supplies!

**Spirit Open My Heart**

**Spirit open my heart,  
to the joy and pain of living.  
As you love may I love;  
in receiving and in giving.  
Spirit open my heart.**

God replace my stony heart,  
with a heart that's kind and tender.  
All my coldness and fear  
to your grace, I now surrender.

**(Refrain)**

Write your love upon my heart,  
as my law, my goal, my story.  
In each thought, word and deed,  
may my living bring you glory.

**(Refrain)**

May I weep with those who weep;  
share the joy of sister, brother.  
In the welcome of Christ,  
may we welcome one another.

**(Refrain)**