



# WILMOT UNITED CHURCH

June 11, 2017

## Trinity Sunday/Communion and Graduate Sunday

Portions of the service printed in **bold** are spoken by the whole congregation.

At the points marked \* - those who are able are invited to stand.

Presider: Rev. R-H Gaskin

### GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

**Organ Prelude:** Sonata for Communion (Martini)

**Welcome to the Church**

**We Light the Christ Candle:**

**Call to Worship:**

Come to this place where refuge is found.

**God be among us as we join together.**

Come to this place where peace is proclaimed.

**Christ be among us as we listen for your Word.**

Come to this place where faith is empowered.

**Spirit be among us as we seek inspiration.**

Come to this place where the Triune God is met.

**Three-in-One, One-in-Three, be among us as we worship you.**

*Diane Bennett-Jones, Wexford Heights U.C., Scarborough, Ont.*

**Opening Prayer:** Psalm 8 VU #732

**\*Opening Hymn:** Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty VU #315

**Storytime for the Young and the Young at Heart**

**Recognition of the Graduates**

**Blessing:**

God of truth and knowledge, bless these graduates  
As they now complete this phase of their journey.  
We are thankful for those who taught and worked beside them  
And all who supported them along the way  
And now we ask that You  
Walk beside them as they go forward in life  
Strengthen their many talents and skills  
Instil in them confidence in their future  
That their energies may be gathered up  
And used for the good of all people and for our world.  
This we ask in Jesus' name. **Amen**

**\*Family Hymn:** I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry VU #644

**LISTENING FOR TRUTH**

**Prayer of Preparation:** Craig Frame

Ever-revealing God:  
Open us this day to your Word;  
open us to your way;  
open us to your call for us – today!  
Through the pages of scripture,  
make your way and will known to us  
and your call as compelling  
as it was for those first disciples long ago. Amen.  
*Beth W. Johnston, Hantsport P.C., Hantsport, NS*

**Scripture Readings:** Philippians 2: 1-13

**Congregational Response:**  
One: This is the witness of God's people.  
**All: Thanks be to God!**

**Anthem:** Ev'ry Time I Feel the Spirit (Dawson)  
Soloist: Neil Thorne

**Reflection:**

A Vibrant Faith

Rev. R-H Gaskin

**Time for Silent Reflection**

**\*Hymn:**

Praise with Joy the World's Creator

VU #312

**RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

**Announcements**

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory Music**

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift our hearts in prayer.**

Let us give thanks to God.

**It is good to give God thanks and praise.**

**Prayer of Great Thanksgiving:**

Source and Sustainer of Life, we gather at this table to offer thanks;  
and to taste afresh the wonder of Holy Love.

In companionship with all creatures, we are one in gratitude  
for the gift and mystery of life. And one in longing  
for a world reborn.

Creator and Friend, we praise You for Your presence  
in and with Your creation, ever drawing it toward  
healing and wholeness.

In our joy, You are the overflowing cup;

In our need, You are the bread by which we journey on.

With all who abide in Your presence and care, we lift our voices:

**Holy, Holy, Holy are You  
God of power and might  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the One who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

God of majesty, You sent Your only Son to teach and heal us.  
Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, Jesus came as one of us,  
first an infant, then a child, later a youth, then an adult.  
We remember Jesus, faithful friend and living hope:  
at the Jordan Your Spirit descended upon him,  
anointing him to preach the good news of Your reign.  
He healed the sick and fed the hungry. He sought out the lost  
and broke bread with sinners, witnessing the fullness of Your grace.  
On the night before he died for us, Jesus took bread;  
Giving thanks to You, he broke the bread and offering it to his disciples, saying:  
“Take eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

That same night, Jesus also took a cup,  
and after giving thanks, passed it to his friends, saying:  
“Drink. This cup, poured out for you, is the promise of God’s love.  
Whenever you drink it, remember me.”

We remember Jesus’ death and celebrate His resurrection;  
we await with hope His coming again to bring peace and justice  
to the earth; and we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.**

Loving God, pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts  
that all who share in this loaf and cup may be the body of Christ.

Light, life and love in the world.

In this hope and as Your people, we praise You.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory is Yours, God most holy, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Our Father, who art in heaven ...**

The body of Christ, broken for you.

**Thanks be to God for the bread of life.**

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**Thanks be to God for the cup of blessing.**

### Sharing the Feast

**Hymn:** Eat This Bread and Never Hunger VU #471

**Hymn:** O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts VU #472

**Prayer after the Communion:**

What do we say after reception of God's gracious gift? We pray that the food we have eaten, that the drink we have tasted, may change how we live our lives. May we be blessed to live as disciples, called, sustained, and equipped for love. Amen.

*Gord Dunbar, Port Nelson U.C., Burlington, ON*

**\*Closing Hymn:** Lead On, O Cloud of Presence VU #421

**\*Commissioning:**

We go to meet the worst in life,

knowing Christ walks with us in the struggle.

We go to share in the brokenness of the world,

knowing the Spirit brings healing and hope as helper.

We go to celebrate the joy and the wonder of faith,

knowing God's grace guides us always.

*Gord Dunbar, Port Nelson U.C., Burlington, Ont.*

**\*Benediction:**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. 2 Corinthians 13:13

**The Property Development Committee**

**Postlude:** Festal Flourish (Fletcher)

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The bulletin today is being sponsored by Shirley Cleave in recognition of long service to the United Church of Canada by the **Reverend Cliff Moase** who has been ordained for 65 years and the **Reverend Gil Todd** who has been ordained for 55 years. Congratulations and Thank You.

**WELCOME** to our service of worship and thank you for being with us this morning. We're glad you're here! You are invited to **COFFEE AND CONVERSATION** in the Dr. G. M. Young Memorial Hall following the worship service. Thank you to **our children and youth** for hosting this time of fellowship and refreshments.

**COFFEE AND CONVERSATION FOR AUGUST:** Would you, your family, your friends be able to cover one of the Coffee and Conversations in August? The sign-up sheet is in the gym by the window going into the kitchen. THANKS

**THE PRAYER CIRCLE** offers confidential prayer support for those with physical, emotional, family and spiritual needs. To have your concerns added to the Wilmot prayer list contact Guy Vezina (455-6174) or Raday Brown (454-3001).

**SYMPATHY:** Our condolences are extended to **John Blackie and family** on the recent death of John's wife, **Gwen Blackie**. Gwen passed away on Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. Our condolences are also extended to **Keith & Cyndi Minchin** and family on the passing of Keith's mother, **Betty Minchin** on May 28. Our thoughts and prayers are with both of these families.



If you have not yet picked up your Summer issue of *Words from Wilmot* you will find copies at each of the entrance doors to the Sanctuary and at the Carleton Street entrance, or ask your greeter for a copy this morning. Please consider taking copies for neighbours, friends or relatives who are unable to get to church this summer, and for those travelling or at their summer cottages. Large Print copies are also available, and you can access the colour version on our website: [wilmotuc.nb.ca](http://wilmotuc.nb.ca) – all of our special activities for the summer months are there!

### Givings end of May, 2017 (21 Sundays)

|                 | Received    | Budget      | -Short/+Over | May, 2016   |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| <b>Local:</b>   | \$93,488.10 | \$91,259.49 | +\$2,228.61  | +\$ 211.25  |
| <b>M&amp;S:</b> | \$24,052.35 | \$24,230.85 | - \$ 178.50  | -\$2,677.15 |
| <b>Capital:</b> | \$11,698.05 | \$12,115.53 | -\$ 417.48   | -\$3,198.95 |
| <b>Benevol:</b> | \$ 7,243.00 | \$6,058.50  |              |             |

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TONIGHT:** “Proudly Canadian – Songs from Coast to Coast” by the Stepping Stone Singers – directed by Vera Hayward. Grace Memorial Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m.

**JUNE 28:** Gibson Memorial United Church, will be hosting a “Steak and Chicken BBQ” on Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. 4 – 6 p.m. Adult: \$14 and Child \$3. Please call 457-1951 to reserve your tickets.

**ST. PAUL’S ORGAN ACADEMY:** If you are a piano student . . . young or old . . . and would like to try your skills on a three-manual pipe organ, come along to St. Paul’s United Church on Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Sharon Pond, organist at St. Paul’s and Dr. Willis Noble, formerly at Christ Church Cathedral, are offering a day-long workshop where you will get a turn at the organ and learn the basics of performing Baroque music. The session starts at 9 a.m. and runs until 3 p.m. Lunch will be provided. The fee for the day, including lunch, is \$25. You can register in advance with either instructor at [spond@bellaliant.net](mailto:spond@bellaliant.net) Or [willis.noble@gmail.com](mailto:willis.noble@gmail.com) .

## LOOKING HEAD

**June 18 – WORSHIP IN THE PARK (Odell).** This service includes games for the children as well as a barbeque. A great relaxing gathering of our Community of Faith. Don't forget your hat and a lawn chair. In case of rain, it will be held here at the church.

**June 25 –** A special service to honor **Canada's National Aboriginal Day** which is on June 21. This service was developed by KAIROS and entitled: **“ENFOLDED IN THE CREATOR”**.

**July 2 – 30 (5 Sundays)** Our **SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE** will be combined with St. Paul's and held **at St. Paul's at 10:30**. During the summer, the clergy from both of the churches will participate in the Sunday Services held at either St. Paul's or Wilmot.

**July 9 – 1** (Ellen) will once again be heading to **GRAND MANAN** to lead their Sunday Service of Worship. As there is no United Church on the Island, each summer they organize having a visiting clergy or lay person to conduct a service for them. Feel free to travel to the Island and join me. It is a great place to visit and to go biking or hiking.

**August 6 – September 3 (5 Sundays)** Our **SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE** will be at **Wilmot at 10:30**.

### **MANOR SERVICES:**

**YORK MANOR:** June 15, July 20, August 17

**PINE GROVE –** July 18

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### ***VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017***

#### **“MAKER FUN FACTORY – CREATED BY GOD, BUILT FOR A PURPOSE”**

St. Paul's, Forest Hill and Wilmot United Churches will once again be joining together for our VBS program. August 21-25 from 9:00 – 11:30 at Wilmot United Church.

Ages: Age 4 and up.

\*\*\* We will discover a world where curious children and youth become hands-on inventors and discover they're lovingly created by God. Great music, great stories, great crafts – great fun! We will use our hearts, minds and imagination to participate in the creative life of God remembering that God is with us wherever we go....SO... Mark your calendars!

**REMINDER:** For our regular and any new customer, Wilmot's Fair Trade Cupboard will close for the summer on June 25<sup>th</sup>

For those who want to stock up for the summer, come see us during Coffee & Conversation after church on any Sunday in June. As well for those who made special requests in April, those coffees are at our Cupboard to be picked up.

**What we offer:**

Several blends of coffee (ground and whole beans), a variety of teas, chocolate bars (dark, milk and mint), unbleached cane sugar, cocoa, hot chocolate, olive oil from Palestine, a Middle Eastern herb blend, and unbleached coffee filters.

The Fair Trade Cupboard is a solidarity project of the Outreach Committee. All food products are grown organically by small-scale farmers and sold through farmer-controlled local co-operatives that invest their earnings to provide important community services.

The "Fair Trade" label means that farmers get a fair price for their produce. The "Organic" label means that the farmers do not use toxic pesticides that are dangerous to people and the environment.

Let us help you put together just the right Christmas gift bag for that special person. We are open after church each Sunday during "coffee and conversation."

## **The Healing Fund Is Changing Lives**

Our gifts for Mission & Service support the work of healing and reconciliation. Let us hear a story of how the Healing Fund is changing lives.

The Liqwiltach Elders' and Youth Culture Group hosts events and learning experiences in the Campbell River area of British Columbia. Led by volunteer June Johnson, the group connects residential school survivors with local Indigenous youth to provide learning experiences that revitalize culture and language.

These experiences also provide a space for youth from different communities to share their oral histories and traditions, which are once again being passed down from generation to generation.

One of the learning experiences uses button blankets. As the group grows and travels to different communities, it needs financial support to make new blankets and masks. The blankets are adorned with unique family crests. Each mask signifies a particular dance. A mask dancer teaches the youth the dance and mentors them through the dance process.

These events, acknowledged by The Healing Fund Council and supported through your gifts for Mission & Service, help people reconcile the residential school experience and restore Indigenous languages and cultures in Indigenous communities.

A Liqwiltach Elder noted, "I am happy that our children are learning the culture, and you see the pride they have to show off their dances. It gives them the sense of belonging, of who they are and where they come from."

We sing thanksgiving for the gifts of The Healing Fund.

If Mission & Service is already a regular part of your giving, thank you so much! If you have not given for Mission & Service, please consider making Mission & Service a regular part of your life of faith. In all our Mission & Service giving, with a willing heart, we sing thanksgiving to God!

## THIS WEEK AT WILMOT

June 11 - 12

### **TODAY:** TRINITY SUNDAY/COMMUNION/GRADUATE SUNDAY

11:00 a.m. WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL

12:00 p.m. COFFEE & CONVERSATION

### **Mon. June 12:**

5:30 p.m. U.C.W. DINNER OUT – Fredericton Motor Inn

6:45 p.m. TOASTMASTERS CLUB – Board Room

### **Tue. June 13:**

12:00 p.m. WORSHIP COMMITTEE - Parlour

6:00 p.m. VETERANS MUSIC CLASS – Fireside Room

### **Wed. June 14:**

9:00 a.m. QUILTERS – Parlour

10:00 a.m. TOY LIBRARY

1:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY @ WILMOT – last one until Sept.

5:30 p.m. MINISTRY & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

7:00 p.m. NA GROUP – Fireside Room

### **Thurs. June 15:**

9:30 a.m. QUILTING and FELLOWSHIP– Parlour

7:00 p.m. MARTIAL ARTS - Gym

### **Sat. June 17:**

10:00 a.m. TOY LIBRARY

12:00 p.m. SPIRITUAL CIRCLE - Parlour

6:00 p.m. DROP-IN CENTRE

### **Sun. June 18:** WORSHIP AT ODELL PARK

## OUR GRADUATES for 2017

### LEO HAYES HIGH SCHOOL

**Claire Anderson** - *Claire will be entering the science program at UNB this fall.*

**Kaelan Atkinson** – *Kalean is exploring various paths. We will stay tuned.*

### MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY

**Patrick Cameron** – **International Bachelor of Business Administration** *Patrick is presently working in St. John's, Newfoundland.*

### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER UNIVERSITY

**Nicola Sequin** - **Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Sociology** - *Nicola is heading out west to work at Jasper Park Lodge.*

### ST. THOMAS UNIVERSITY

**Jenna Hamilton** – **Bachelor of Education** *Jenna will be moving to PEI and for the coming school year will do supply work.*

**Breagh Claire MacDonald-Rahn** - **Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Criminology with Distinction.** *Breagh has been accepted to a Master's in Women's Studies at Mount Saint Vincent.*

**Eris Daniel MacDonald-Rahn** – **Bachelor of Arts in Science and Technology with Honors & received the Science and Technology Studies Prize.** *Eris is taking a year off for now.*

### CARLETON UNIVERSITY

**Kaleigh McIntosh** - **Bachelor of Arts in Political Science with Honours** *Kaleigh will be going to York University next Fall pursuing her Masters in Political Science.*

### BROCK UNIVERSITY

**Caroline Coon** - **Bachelor of Arts in Dramatic Arts - performance concentration.** *In January, Caroline will be attending the Randolph Academy for the Performing Arts in Toronto where she will be taking a 2-year program in musical theatre.*

### McMASTER UNIVERSITY

**Amelia Secord** - **Masters of Science in Occupational Therapy.** *Amelia will be remaining in Hamilton to work as an Occupational Therapist in private practice in pediatrics.*

### ONTARIO INSTITUTE FOR STUDIES IN EDUCATION

### UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

**James McNamara** - **Masters of Teaching** *James, Rose-Hannah's son, will begin a new job in Beijing this summer at Beijing SMIC private school.*

## **UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH**

**Emily Winson - Bachelor of Commerce with "Distinct Honours" with a focus on Business & Tourism.**  
*Emily, Angela Wrobel's daughter, is currently working in Toronto doing a management training program.*

**And did you know that a few grandchildren are graduating as well? The ones that I know of are:**

## **COLLEGE STE.ANNE (High School in Lachine, PQ)**

**Andree-Anne Bauer** (Nancy's granddaughter) – *Andree-Anne will be continuing her studies at CEGEP in the fall. Students in the province of Quebec who are considering University studies must attend CEGEP before enrolling in a Quebec university.*

## **UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO**

**Louise Bauer – PhD in Sociology** (Nancy's granddaughter). *Louise now awaits to hear from a couple of possibilities.*

## **RUTGERS UNIVERSITY** (New Brunswick, New Jersey)

**Langley Oudemans – Bachelor of Science - Summa Cum Laude** (Jack's granddaughter). *Langley graduated from the department of 'Environmental and Biological Science' and received a Princeton in Asia Fellowship to teach science in Thailand for the 2017-18 semester.*

**CONGRATULATIONS** also go out to **Hilary Noble** who has just been accepted into Medicine at Memorial University in St. John's, Newfoundland. Hilary will be enrolled in the study of Medicine in Rural areas. Hilary is the daughter of our organist, Virginia, and her husband, Willis.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE!  
BLESSINGS IN THE YEARS TO COME.**

