



WILMOT UNITED CHURCH
JUNE 24, 2018
NATIONAL ABORIGINAL PEOPLES 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. Rose-Hannah Gaskin
Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory: For thousands of years, Indigenous people have walked in this land, their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality. We are gathered on the unceded traditional territory of the Wolastowqiyik (Maliseet) and acknowledge their stewardship of this land throughout the ages.

THE PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude

Welcome to the Church/Bienvenue

Call to Worship:

We gather to share in God's dream of abundant life for all.

**We gather to give and receive gifts of deep emotion,
deep wisdom, and deep love.**

**With gratitude we gather as a community to praise God,
to seek transformation and to celebrate the power
of the Spirit who is always moving.**

We Light The Christ Candle

Opening Prayer:

Creator God of heaven and earth, we are often aware of your power.
It comes to us in a booming voice in the thunder
and in majestic views of mountain and ocean,
and times of thunder and blizzard.

Yet your power is also seen in the colours of a ladybug and a child's cry.
In all these things and much, much more,
we are reminded of your awesome greatness.

In this time of worship may we appreciate and celebrate your power.
And may we always seek ways to use it for peace and goodness. Amen.

*** Opening Hymn:** Eternal, Unchanging, We Sing VU #223

Time for the Young and Young at Heart

Sacrament of Baptism – *Tate Jeffrey McMillan* (Please see Insert)

*** Baptismal Hymn:** Child of Blessing, Child of Promise VU #444

Connecting to Our Hearts' Longing: Psalm 139

Silence for Prayer

Assurance of God's Love

LISTENING FOR TRUTH

Prayer of Illumination:

Steven MacKenzie

Loving God, you speak to us in so many ways:

in the song of a bird,

in the babbling of a brook,

in the voices of our friends,

in the hug from Mom or Dad,

in the songs we sing,

and in the stories of the Bible.

Speak to us now through the reading of scripture.

Help us to hear your voice and follow the way of Jesus. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 65: 17-25

Gospel Reading: Mark 4: 34-41

Congregational Response:

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

May these words enliven our living!

Anthem: Elijah and Joshua (Albrecht)

Sermon: Don't Be Afraid of Stormy Seas! Rev. R-H Gaskin

*** Hymn:** Jesus Christ Is Waiting VU #117

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Announcements

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Music

***Doxology** VU #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.**

*** Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People

SENDING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*** Closing Hymn:** I See a New Heaven VU #713

Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Amen VU #967

Postlude

If you wish, you are invited to remain for the Postlude as it is part of our Worship service.

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Bulletins today are dedicated by Wilmot U.C.W. in loving memory of members **Marjorie Atkinson, Virginia MacDonald and Joan MacNabb.**

WELCOME to this service of worship and thank you for being with us today. We're glad you're here! A special welcome to **TATE JEFFREY McMILLAN** and his family including his siblings, **SHEA** and **VALE**. Shea, Vale and Tate each played the role of Baby Jesus at our 4:00 service on December 24 – perhaps the first time here at Wilmot that three siblings have played this important role. (and all were the perfect little ones to make Christmas Eve an incredibly powerful moment for so many.) **THANK YOU!** You are invited to join us for **COFFEE AND CONVERSATION** in the Dr. G. M. Young Memorial Hall following the Worship service. Thank you to **Shirley Cleave, Ann Kennedy and Angela Wrobel** for providing this time of refreshments and fellowship.

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).

BOOK CLUB meets on Tuesday, June 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the parlour when we will discuss *Rockbound* by Frank Parker Day, in honour of our leader Virginia MacDonald, a book she was particularly drawn to. It won the CBC Canada Reads contest in 2005 and put on the Great Canadian Reading List of 150 books for Canada's 150th year. For those who wish, we will bring finger food to celebrate our year together. All are welcome, along with friends.

NEXT WEEK! DOWNTOWN UNITED (St Paul's & Wilmot combined) will begin here at Wilmot at **10:30 a.m.** Come and join us. There will be Sunday School and child care for the younger ones.

MAGGIE'S MUFFIN MANIA COOKBOOKS are still available (\$15). You may obtain one from Marlene in the Church Office.

FACES OF NEW BRUNSWICK: Those who wish can now purchase Keith Minchin's latest book of photography *Faces of New Brunswick* at the church office for the reduced price of \$30. All profits will be generously donated to the Wilmot Local Fund.

TOY LIBRARY: Toy Library members can now sign out toys for the summer. Please note that membership in the Fredericton Toy Library is separate from church membership. To become a member of the Toy Library, please come by during our operating hours (Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 to noon). The last day that the Toy Library will be open before the summer break is Wednesday, June 20th. It will reopen on Wednesday, Sept. 5th.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY MORNINGS - The congregation of Brunswick Street Baptist Church will be sharing a week of morning children's programming with the greater Fredericton community from Monday, June 25 to Friday, June 29 from 9 a.m. to noon each day. It's an "island" theme of being 'shipwrecked' and rescued by Jesus. Children are encouraged to find strength in times of loneliness, struggle, fear, etc. This message is shared in fun games, snacks, stories, crafts and so much more. There is no cost. To preregister visit www.bsbc.nb.ca and click on the "shipwrecked" logo or call the church office (458-8348). This VBS program is offered to children who this fall will be entering Kindergarten to Grade 5.

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION: Thank you to those who have been able to commit themselves to helping out for Coffee and Conversation this summer. We are still looking for a couple of people for July 22 and July 29. If you are able to do one of these two Sundays, just let Ellen know. **THANKS**



HOURS FOR JULY and AUGUST

OFFICE: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 a.m.– 4:30 p.m.

RANDY: Tuesday 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 6 – 9 p.m.
Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

July 15 – 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.

REDEEMABLES: Just a reminder that we do pick ups if you have any bottles to donate to the YOUTH FUND! You can also leave them in Ellen’s office at the church. The summer is a great time to save your redeemables and then pass them along to the youth. Just give Ellen a call at 206-1943.

THE ‘GO’ PROJECT ADVENTURE CAMP -- For Grades 2 – 7 - July 16-20

The GO camp is a United Church Camp designed to happen right here in your own community. It is a joint effort by St. Paul’s, Forest Hill, Nashwaaksis & Wilmot to be held at Nashwaaksis. There will be trained staff and volunteers that will lead exciting programming with an outreach and justice focus. Children will spend time learning, playing, volunteering and learning about their faith. It is a full day program filled with fun activities. LIMITED SPACE so give Ellen a call to reserve a space for you or register online at WWW.THEGOPROJECT.CA Cost is \$125 (Sponsorship is available – touch base with Ellen)

LOOKING AHEAD – MARK YOUR CALENDARS

July 1 - 29 (5 Sundays) Our **SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE** will be combined with St. Paul's and held **here at Wilmot at 10:30.**

July 16 – July 20 – GO Children's Adventure Camp (see notice)

July 21 – July 27 - The 43rd GENERAL COUNCIL of the UCC to be held in Oshawa, ON **Rose-Hannah** will serve as the commissioner clergy from the Woolastook Presbytery.

August 5 – Sept. 2 (5 Sundays) Our **SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE** will be at **St. Paul's at 10:30.**

August 27-31 – VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - "ROLLING RIVER RAMPAGE" held at St. Paul's this year.

CAN YOU HELP? Please help to fill the Wednesday at Wilmot pantry tables by picking up non- perishable food and personal care items when you see them on sale over the summer. Our cupboards are bare at the moment and we reopen in mid - September. The following items are especially needed: peanut butter, cheese whiz, canned meat (ham or chicken or tuna), canned vegetables, wholesome cereals, soups (chicken noodle, vegetable or tomato), instant coffee, canned milk, dish soap, hand soap, detergent, toilet paper, tampons, toothbrushes and paste. Please bring what you have to the Welcome Back Service on Sunday, September 9. There will be a bin for these items near Randy's desk inside the Carleton St. doors. Thank you very much!

SUMMER HYMN SINGS - Do you enjoy lively hymn singing? Why not join us for our series of summer hymn sings to be offered on the third Tuesdays of July (17) and August (21) at 7 p.m. at Brunswick Street Baptist Church. We sing your choices accompanied by organist, David Steeves and pianist, Leah Steeves. After an hour of singing join us for an ice cream sandwich and conversation. All are welcome.

