

GIBSON MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH

September 21, 2025



Welcome to Everyone

Sunday Worship Service

September 21, 2025, at **11:00AM**

15th After Pentecost – International Day of Peace

 *Standing or sitting freely according to each one's physical condition.*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP:

L: This is the day that the Lord has made.

P: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

L: From the rising of the sun to its setting, praise the name of the Lord.

P: We will praise God's holy name now and forevermore.

L: The glory of the Lord is high above the heavens, but God raises up the poor and the needy on the earth.

P: Let us worship God.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST AND RAINBOW CANDLES

CHORUS FOR WELCOMING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST:

We Are a Rainbow

**We're the light of all the world, we are a city on a hill,
We're a candle on a stand proclaiming light,
We will not hide our lamp beneath a bushel anymore,
We will shine a ray of hope that's burning bright.**

**We are a rainbow, sign of covenant and peace
For the flood of tears will finally cease to be
Come shine your rainbow, splash your hues across the sky
Paint the world in colors proud and bold and free**

***OPENING PRAYER** (*in unison*)

Holy God, send us your Spirit to challenge us and change our lives as we encounter your wisdom and truth this day, through Jesus Christ, your Living Word. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN: This is the Day**

VU 412

SHARING TIME

HYMN: Praise Our Maker

VU 316

THE WORD OF GOD PROCLAIMED

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 16: 1-13

MESSAGE: Two Masters, Two Kingdoms

MUSICAL REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

***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.

***OFFERING PRAYER** (*in unison*)

We bring our gifts to you, O God, in gratitude for all you give us. Bless them and make them a source of healing for a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ, who sends us out in love. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN: Today We All Are Called to be Disciples VU507**

***COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BLESSING:

May the peace of God be your peace.

May the love of God be the love you show.

May the joy of God be the joy you know,

and may the world that God would see be found in you.

***POSTLUDE**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sincere Sympathy is extended to the family of **Ethel Murray** who passed away at the DECH on September 9, 2025.

Congregational Information:

A warm welcome is extended to everyone who worships with us today. **Please join us for coffee, refreshments and fellowship following the worship service.**

Our sign-up sheet for **greeters** is available outside the office. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

Church Office:

Office hours are Monday - Friday 8:30am -3:00pm. Please call the office before visiting the church.

Zoom Volunteers: We are looking for volunteers to help with zooming our worship services on Sunday mornings! If you are technologically minded and interested in providing this valuable service to people unable to attend church services, please reach out to the office or a member of the zoom team. Volunteers are scheduled on a rotational basis, so the volunteer would not need to commit every Sunday.

Your support is greatly appreciated! GMUC graciously accepts your generous **donations** and offerings of support, and those in loving memory of a congregation member, by the following means:

- You may drop off cash or cheque during regular office hours or send a cheque by mail.
- Monthly contributions may be set up on **PAR**, by having funds automatically withdrawn from your bank account. You may contact our church office to register for this cost-effective (no envelopes) and convenient option.
- E-transfers may be sent using the church email address: gibsonmemorial@nb.aibn.com. Please forward a separate

email with the password, as we are unable to accept direct deposits.

Minister's Office:

Rev. Mike Bravener will be working from the Gibson Minister's office on the following days:

- Monday from 9am - 3pm
- Tuesday from 9am - 3pm
- Wednesday from 9am – noon

He will be available Mondays from 1pm - 3pm, for **scheduled pastoral care appointments**. Please call the office to book an appointment.

Upcoming Services:

TODAY	11:00am	Shared Service at GMUC / Andrew Speight
September 23	7:00pm	Worship Meeting in the Parlour
September 28	11:00am	Orange Shirt Day / Rev. Mike Bravener
October 5	11:00am	World Communion Sunday / Rev. Mike Bravener
October 12	11:00am	Thanksgiving Sunday / Rev. Mike Bravener
October 19	11:00am	Shared Service at FHUC at 10:00AM

Worship:

There will be a Worship Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 23rd in the parlour.

Ministry & Personnel:

We are looking for someone to fill the position of **custodian!** If you or anyone you know is interested in filling this position beginning in October, please contact the office or Lorne Henry directly.

Pastoral Care:

If you know someone that may benefit from a visit from Rev. Mike Bravener or a member of the Pastoral Care Committee, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the committee, or the office.

If you have a prayer request for a loved one facing a challenging time, please do not hesitate to contact the office and your request will be passed along to the minister and the pastoral care committee. Prayer requests are shared by request only otherwise; your privacy will be respected.

Upcoming Community Events:

Celebrate heritage of Quilts: Come and enjoy a vibrant display of quilts — big and small, vintage and contemporary — all crafted by local quilters. Alongside the exhibition, some quilts will be available for purchase, information on request at the fair. Light refreshments will also be on offer. We invite you to join us, enjoy the beautiful display, and support our outreach mission projects. This celebration is hosted by the Women's Missionary Society of Brunswick Street Baptist Church (BSBC). For more information, please contact BSBC at 506-458-8348.

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