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**Teller:** June Kelly

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***Open Doors · Open Minds · Open Hands · Open Hearts***  
*Welcome to Visions United - "God's Doors Are Open to All"*

Visions United seeks to be a safe place for all people to worship regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, sexual orientation or gender identity.

**Spirit Gathering**  
**Sunday, Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

<b><i>Events at a glance</i></b>		
September 16	9:30am	Conversation Café (Spirit & Worship)
	10:30am	Spirit Gathering <i>with Rev. Catherine Gaw</i>
September 20	7pm	Choir Practice
September 23	9:30am	Conversation Café (Spirit & Worship)
	10:30am	Spirit Gathering <i>with Rev. Catherine Gaw</i>

**We welcome and thank Rev. Catherine Gaw who is leading our Spirit Gathering this morning while Rev. Shawn is away. Welcome Catherine!**

**Children's Spirit Space**

*This week's leader: Ruth Flanagan; Nursery Helper: Hannah Baisley.*

Spirit Space is our program for all-ages held downstairs.

Children gather with the congregation in the Great Room for our opening. We will let you know when Spirit Space begins! There are also activity bags available for children who choose to remain upstairs.

**Rev Shawn is away August 30<sup>th</sup> - September 19<sup>th</sup>** for 2 weeks of Continuing Education time and one week of vacation. She will be participating in a Retreat/ Pilgrimage in Germany: Hildegard of Bingen and the Greening Power of God. If you are interested in reading more visit [www.abbeyofthearts.com](http://www.abbeyofthearts.com) Shawn will be sharing more about the Pilgrimage in a Spirit Gathering this fall. *(Ministers have three weeks of continuing education leave per year and this is the first Con-Ed. time Rev. Shawn has used for 2018).*

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## Visions News & Updates

**Pastoral Care/Funeral coverage:** Please contact Peggy Renton, Congregational Care (506-386-1077 home) (506-866-7155 cell) with questions or pastoral care concerns. Rev. Stephen Brown (Salisbury-Petitcodiac) is on-call for Hospital visits/ emergency Pastoral care/funerals. His contact info is 506-756-3340.

**Last Chance - Summer Postcards** - Can you believe the last day of summer is September 22<sup>nd</sup>? We are looking for your photos or postcards of your summer adventures. On September 23<sup>rd</sup> we will have a visual montage celebrating your moments of summer play and renewal. Email photos/caption (an electronic postcard) to office@visionsunited.ca by **Sept 17**, or drop your photo/postcard at the office, or RPO North End Box 29101, Moncton N.B., E1G 4R3

## Visions Events

**Baptism** – We will celebrate Baptism on September 30<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the office if you have a request.

**Adult Profession of Faith/Confirmation/Baptism** – Rev. Shawn will be organizing a program this fall for anyone who is interested in a profession of faith or renewal of faith. For adults, this is the rite of membership in the United Church. Please contact her by email if you are interested.

**Visions United Pancake Breakfast – Saturday, September 29** (8am to 11:30am) Join us for a delicious breakfast including pancakes, bacon, eggs, pan fries, toast, juice, tea and coffee. Hope to see you there!

**Book Club – Monday, October 1** (7pm)

Our selection this month is \*The Lemon Tree\* by Sandy Tolan. We are meeting on September 22nd at the home of Rosemary Geddes (491 Indian Mtn. Road). Sandy Tolan brings the Israeli-Palestinian conflict down to its most human level, suggesting that even amid the bleakest political realities there exist stories of hope and reconciliation.

## Other Church and Community Events

**Hillsborough United Church Casserole Fundraiser** - Order your casseroles (meatballs, cheeseburger, tomato/hamburger, or shepherd's pie, all made with lean ground beef, and in 3 sizes: small \$6, medium \$10 and large \$15) by **Sunday, Sep 16** by calling Verna 388-5437 or Sandra 734-3980. Casseroles will be ready for pick up on Friday, Sep 21 from 2- 5 pm at the church (2891 Main St, Hillsborough) and come in a ready-to-bake or freeze container! Order yours today!

**Central Movie Night – Thursday, September 20 (7pm)**

The affirming committee presents the movie WALL-E in The Community Peace Forum, 22 Church St. Moncton. Movie/Snacks are free. Bring a friend!

**Community Flea Market - Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Lutz Mountain Heritage Museum, 3143 Mountain Road with various activities such as Book Signings by some local authors, including Mark Black (who received a double lung and heart transplant) and some other fun events. Any assistance you can give by donating items would be greatly appreciated. For further information contact Dawn Somers 384-4192 or 204-7838 or e-mail dawn.e.somers@gmail.com

**Apple Pie (U-Bake) Sale - Saturday's, September 29 and October 13**

Mountain View United Church, 85 MacBeath Ave. Moncton. Pies available with Splenda upon request. To order call Nan Leger 384-1198 or the church office at 857-4817. Pick up between 10:30am to 1pm. \$7 each.

**Trinity United's Ham, Bean & Scalloped Potato dinner – Saturday, Sept 29**

(4:30-6:30pm) – 379 Main Street, Shediac. Includes Tea, Coffee and Dessert. Adults \$15/Children under 12 \$10. Take out Available.

**Trinity Fall Fair – Saturday, September 29, 2018 (10:30am-1:30pm)**

85 Old Coach Road, Riverview. Please join us for children's games, bouncy castle, petting far, silent auction, barbecue & more.

**International Day of Older Persons Reception – Sunday, September 30 (2pm)**

The Mayor's Seniors Advisory Committee will be hosting this reception at Moncton City Hall, 655 Main Street. Should you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Marcia King, City Clerk's Office by email marcia.king@moncton.ca or by telephone 853-3499.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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<b>Office Hours:</b>	Tuesday , Thursday, Friday – 1pm to 4pm
<b>Minister Hours*:</b>	Tuesday – 1pm to 3:30pm & Thursday – 10am-12pm *Minister is available other hours by appointment

### **We Value Abundant Generosity! *How Can I Share an Offering?***

You may have noticed we don't pass an offering plate during the service, but we do bless all gifts during shared during our "Invitation to Generosity". You can choose one of two ways to support the ongoing work and ministry of Visions:

**Weekly Offering** - There is a **Giving Table** at the entry of the Great Room with envelopes for visitors or occasional gifts. Contact the Church Office to request your own box of weekly offering envelopes.

**Pre-authorized Remittance (PAR)** is an easy way for you to make regular and reliable contributions on the 21<sup>st</sup> each month to ensure the vitality of Visions' ministry. Deductions can be changed/cancelled anytime with sufficient notice to the office.

- Request a PAR form from the church office or print and fill out *PAR form* from the website with your monthly offering amount.
- Place a "VOID" cheque and completed form in a sealed envelope. Give it to the office or place in the offering plate during service.



Charitable tax receipts for Envelope & PAR contributors are issued at the year-end.

### **VISION AIDERS' PROJECTS: *Our outreach in the community & around the world***

**MISSION & SERVICE** - the United Church of Canada's unique way to fund global and Canadian mission projects, bringing healing, justice and hope to life! Your M&S gift helps Visions meet our 2018 objective of \$18,500.



**RECONNECT JAR** – Your donation supports the Reconnect Street Intervention Program in Greater Moncton , outreach to those who are homeless and at risk.

**KARING KITCHEN** – Your chance to donate groceries and/or grocery store cards, the 1st Sunday of each month, to assist Moncton's largest soup kitchen.

**CURRENT FOCUS** - July - Donation to Camp Ta-Wa-Si; August - Coats for Care