

*The United Church of Canada*  
*Bathurst Pastoral Charge*  
**First United Church, Bathurst**  
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**June 10, 2018**

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<u>Lectionary for today</u>	<u>Lectionary for next Sunday</u>
<i>I Samuel 8:4-11</i> <i>Psalm 130</i> <i>II Corinthians 4:13-5:1</i> <i>Mark 3:20-35</i>	<i>I Samuel 15:30-16:13</i> <i>Psalm 92</i> <i>II Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17</i> <i>Mark 4:26-34</i>

*The asterisk \* identifies those times in the service where the congregation is invited to stand as able.*

## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

### Musical Prelude:

**Choral Opening:**     *'Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness'*   **#375 VU**

***Spirit, Spirit of gentleness***  
***Blow thro' the wilderness***  
***Calling and free,***  
***Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,***  
***Stir me from placidness,***  
***Wind, Wind on the sea.***

### Welcome:

God has called us—we have responded.  
Some of us sing a joyful hallelujah,  
others give quiet thanks to God.  
Some of us seek God's ways  
in the activities of our lives;  
others sense God's ways  
in contemplation and prayer.  
Whatever our choice, wherever we go,  
God is with us always.

### Welcoming Friends Worshipping by CD: Announcements:

### Call to Worship:

### Lighting the Christ Candle:

*Silent Time*

One: As we light the Christ Candle,  
we acknowledge the power of God the Father, Son  
and Holy Spirit revealed in the life, death  
and resurrection of Jesus.

Jesus helps us to explore  
the inner dimensions of our faith.  
The lighting of the Christ Candle  
Let us pray:

**All: God, as we celebrate confirmation  
and communion  
we thank you for giving us  
strength and courage to make the changes  
that are needed in our lives.  
Open our hearts and minds  
to your steadfast presence  
and help us to put our trust in you. Amen.**

One: "In the beginning the word already existed;  
the word was with God, and the Word was God.  
From the very beginning the word was with God.  
Through him God made all things;  
not one thing in all creation was made without him.  
The word was the source of life,  
and this life brought light to people.  
The light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness has never put it out."

### Prayer of Approach:

God of heaven and earth,  
you have created us, you care for us,  
and you redeem us.  
When we wonder how we can go on,  
you remind us that you watch over us  
and neither slumber nor sleep.

When questions fill our minds,  
and we do not know where to turn,  
you help us to remember  
that you love the world.  
May we trust in your promises,  
serving you with joy. Amen.

**\*Opening Hymn:**

*'O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing'* # 326 VU

**Children of All Ages:**

**SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION**

**Statement of Purpose:**

**Scripture Reading:** Ephesians 4: 4-6

**Presentation of Candidates:**

On behalf of the congregation of First United Church,  
I present the following persons  
who seek to renew the faith proclaimed in their baptism:  
Grace Josie Lavigne and Breanna Lin Lee.  
On behalf of the Christian Development Team  
and the Pastoral Council I welcome you to our church family.

**Profession of Faith and Promises:**

*a. Profession of Faith in the Triune God.*

Do you believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit?

***I do, by the grace of God.***

*b. Commitment to Seek Justice and Resist Evil.*

Will you follow in the way of Jesus Christ, resisting  
oppression and evil, seeking justice, and witnessing to  
God's love for all creation?

***I will, God being my helper.***

*c. Commitment to Follow the Way of Jesus Christ.*

Will you proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, in your words  
and actions?

***I will, God being my helper.***

*d. Commitment to the Mission and Ministry of the Church.*

Will you join with your brothers and sisters in this  
congregation to share in the life, work, and ministry of  
Jesus Christ?

***I will, God being my helper.***

**Congregational Commitment:**

One: Let us pledge to these persons  
our continued support and care:

**All: We will continue to support you,  
walk with you,  
and grow with you.**

**With God's help we will live out our baptism  
as a loving community in Jesus Christ:  
nurturing one another in faith,  
upholding one another in prayer,  
encouraging one another in God's work.**

**A New Creed:**

**We are not alone,  
we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,  
the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others  
by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church:**  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.  
Thanks be to God.**

**Laying on of Hands:**

By the gift of your Spirit, O God, strengthen  
*Grace and Breanna*, that she may be true  
to you all her life.

**AMEN.**

**Presentation of a Bible:**

Receive this Bible,  
and with your sisters and brothers in Christ,  
continue to grow in faith, trusting in God's promises.

**Prayer for the Candidates:**

**Blessing:**

## **THE SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**Prayer for Understanding:**

Lord our God, you have given your word  
to be a lamp for our feet and a light for our path.  
Grant us grace to receive your truth in faith and love,  
that by it we may be prepared for every good work and word,  
to the glory of your name through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**Scripture Readings:**

**New Testament :**

**Responsive Psalm :**

**Gospel lessons:**

Joanne Wiseman

II Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Psalm 138 **#860 VU**

Mark 3:20-35

**\*Hymn:** Spirit, Open My Heart **#79 MV**

**Refrain:**

***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**

**Message:** "Confirmation, claiming our place"

**Anthem:** 'I Feel the Winds of God Today'

## **THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS**

**Presentation of Gifts and Self to God:**

**Choral Response:**

*'Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow'* #541 VU

***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:** (in unison)

Gracious God,  
bless and transform all that we offer:  
our faltering steps,  
our brokenness,  
our hope, our risking, our hearts.  
We pray that your covenant  
may be written on our hearts  
and we may be a blessed  
and transformed covenant people,  
In Jesus' name. Amen.

**Prayer of Confession:**

O God of all creation,  
your promises are vast,  
yet we fail to trust your word.  
We doubt your power  
to transform our lives.  
Give us the patience to wait  
for your time, for your blessings,  
and for your will to be done.  
Help us feel your loving compassion,  
that we may dwell securely  
beneath the wings of your love.  
Amen.

**Choral Response:** *'How Deep the Peace'* #95 MV

***How deep the peace, the confidence,  
Of those whose wrongs are forgiven.  
How deep the peace, the confidence  
Of those whose hearts are healed.***

**Words of Assurance:**

All you who seek God,  
and who have set your hope  
on Jesus Christ, hear the good news:  
we have received forgiveness of sins,  
according to the riches of God's grace.  
As forgiven and beloved children of God,  
let us set our hope on Christ,  
and live for the praise of his glory.

**Silent Prayer / Reflective Music:**

**Pastoral Prayer:**

**THE SERVICE OF THE TABLE**

**An Invitation to the Table:**

**\*Our Communion Hymn:**

*'Bread of Life, Feed My Soul'* #194 MV

Bread of life, feed my soul,  
As the presence of the Spirit makes me whole.  
Bread of life, fill my heart  
With the grace and mercy you impart.

I have heard your voice calling,  
"Come, my friend, and share  
In the feast that is laid out for you  
To show how much I care."

Bread of life, help me live  
A life as pure and true as Jesus did.  
Bread of life, help me see  
The boundless love of Christ for you and me.

I have heard your voice calling,  
"Come, my friend, and share  
In the feast that is laid out for you  
To show how much I care."

Bread of life, feed my soul,  
As the presence of the Spirit makes me whole.  
Bread of life, fill my heart  
With the grace and mercy you impart.

**The Great Thanksgiving Prayer:**

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

One: Blessed are you, gracious God, Creator of light,  
Giver of all life, Source of love.

We bless you for all your gifts.

We praise you for this holy day of hope

and for the wonder of this time of joy.

**All: We praise you, O God.**

**We thank you, O God.**

One: For Jesus Christ,  
in whom you gather the hopes and fears of all the years,  
we bless your holy name.

Joining now with all your people of every time and place

we share our thoughts and prayers

with God our source of hope.

On this Confirmation Sunday

we celebrate our Easter faith

and the birth of the United Church of Canada.

Your presence is alive

through the power of the resurrection.

**Choral Response:** (Sanctus and Benedictus # 942 VU)

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might;***

***holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.***

***Heav'n and earth are full, full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.***

One: On the night before Jesus died,  
he had supper with his disciples: he took bread;  
thanked you, as we have thanked you;  
broke the bread;

and gave the bread to his friends saying:

Take this, all of you, and eat it.

This is my body, given for you.

Each time you do this, remember me.

After supper he took the wine; thanked you for it,  
and passed a cup of wine to his friends saying;

This cup is the new promise

God has made with you in my blood.

Each time you do this and drink from this cup,  
remember me.

Remembering his death and celebrating his resurrection;

we await with hope his coming again

to bring peace and justice to the earth.

And so, we affirm the mystery of our faith:

**All: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

One: Send, O God, your Holy Spirit  
upon us and what we do here;  
that we, and these gifts, touched by your Spirit,  
may be signs of life and love to each other,  
and to all the world.

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

We gather these and all our prayers,  
thankful that we may now turn to you in one voice:

**All: Our Father, Who art in heaven..... Amen.**

**Choral Response:** 'Bread for the Journey' #202 MV

Bread for the journey,

Food for the way.

Cup of God's blessing,

Tomorrow, today.

Bread for the journey,

Food for the way.

Cup of God's blessing,

Tomorrow, today.

**Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of the Cup:**

**Sharing of the Bread and Cup:**

## THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH

### \*Closing Hymn: 'Sacred Stories'

Sacred stories, shared with others,  
form a faith that's strong and true  
Sacred places, etched with meaning,  
bringing hope and joy anew.  
Sacred memories, sacred future,  
sacred present, here and now.  
Sacred knowing, sacred being,  
Sacred living be our vow.

Sacred stories, shared with strangers  
Sacred stories, shared with friends.  
Sacred stories, bind us closely  
Shaped by ties that will not end.  
Sacred waters of baptism  
Sacred bread and sacred wine  
Sacred humans, sacred living  
With God's purpose we still shine

Beach Spring 8787D

Lyrics: Rev. Catherine MacDonald.

Introduced at Maritime Conference, May 25, 2018.

### Commissioning:

One: Blessed be Christ the Prince of Peace

**All: who breaks down the walls that divide.**

One: The peace of God be always with you.

**All: Praise to Christ who unites us in peace.**

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

### Blessing:

One: God is calling us to follow.

**All: May we find the faith to answer that call.**

One: God has blessed us now and forever.

**All: May we be a blessing to the world.**

### \*Choral Closing: 'Take Up His Song'

#213 MV

**Take up his song of hope  
And go into the world  
Take up his song of hope  
in every moment.  
In every moment of the journey,  
We're laying down our lives;  
Lay them down in peace,  
Lay them down,  
And take up his song.**

### Organ Postlude:

*'Pray  
as though everything depended on God.  
Work  
as though everything depended on you.'*  
St. Augustine

# Church News

## This Week at First United –June 11 – June 16

Tuesday	6:15	Scouts – DEMH GYM
Wednesday	3:00pm	Office Closed
Friday	Closed	Summer Hours

### **Peanut Butter for Volunteer Centre**

Commitment December 31, 2018      **900**

Total to Date      **298**

To meet our obligation, we will need to collect 20-21 jars of peanut butter per week.

The Volunteer Center supplies, on average, 500 households monthly.



**The Upper Room** for July and Aug. are in the Narthex. Please feel free to take one. A container for donations is located with the publication.

**Calling all Graduates:** If you are a potential graduate of the class of 2018 for either BHS or ESN please advise the church office by June 12. The First United Church service honoring our graduates will be held on June 17, 2018.

**Summer Hours:** Starting June 1 until the end of August the church office hours will be Monday - Thursday, 8-4. Closed 12-1.

**Notice from the Property Management Team** For security reasons, all doors to the sanctuary will be kept locked except the one closest to the office. To enter the church during business hours, please use the St. Patrick Street entrance.

**Thank You** for contributing to the Relay for Life on June 1. With your help the Smith family raised over \$6400 in memory of Eric and the Fredericton site raised over \$70,000.

*People don't notice  
whether it's winter or summer  
when they're happy.  
~Anton Chekhov~*

## **NOTICE OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

There will be a meeting of the congregation of First United Church on Sunday June 17, 2018 following the regular Sunday morning Worship service.

The purpose of this meeting is two-fold:

- To present the report of the JNAC (Joint Needs Assessment Committee) and obtain the approval of the congregation to forward the report to Miramichi Presbytery for their approval.
- To choose individuals to serve on the Search Committee for our new minister. Once chosen these names will also be forwarded to Presbytery for their approval.

Interested members of our congregation are welcome to submit their names as potential members of the Search Committee. Please contact Sandra Boone by phone at 546-5453 or by email at [boonies@nb.sympatico.ca](mailto:boonies@nb.sympatico.ca) if you feel you might like to be a committee member. Once the congregation has chosen the committee members and we have received Presbytery approval, the Search Committee will commence their work.

***If you are an adherent of First United Church and wish to be part of the Search Committee, contact the church office at 546-3532 to arrange for confirmation or transfer of membership.***

A draft copy of the JNAC report has been sent to members receiving their Newsletters online. Copies are available in the Narthex this morning and you are encouraged to bring them with you to the Congregational Meeting next week.

## Community Events

### **The Ladies Auxiliary to Herman J. Good VC, Branch # 18**

Royal Canadian Legion Meal of the Month

BBQ Chicken Dessert – Tea & Coffee included

Sunday, June 10, 2018 5 p.m.

Cost: \$15.00 Take-Outs Available

Tickets can be purchased at the Legion Office.

**Clothing Drive for Lesotho** - Once again, Parkwood Heights Elementary School will be collecting bags of clothes in support of ASD – N's "Lesotho Initiative". As you are working on spring cleaning, why not set aside bags of clothes for Parkwood Heights Elementary School. Acceptable items include - men's, women's, and children clothing as well as belts, blankets, linens, purses, shoes, and towels. The bags are then sold to the New Brunswick Association of Community Living. The money raised will be given to the Canadian Agency – "Help Lesotho". For more information, contact Gary Branch (546-9208/egbranch@roger.com) or Parkwood Heights Elementary School at 547-2770. Clothing bags can be dropped off at the school during school hours at 1125 Highland Drive. The deadline for donations is June 15, 2018.

### **Exhibition of Newborn Baby Photography and Nursery Wall Décor Shannon (Knowles) Newton**

On Wednesday and Thursday evenings, June 13th and 14th, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM, the Bathurst Heritage Museum and the Bathurst Art Society will co-sponsor an Exhibition of Newborn Baby Photography and Nursery Wall Decor. The photographer/artist, Shannon (Knowles) Newton, who was raised in Bathurst, currently lives and runs her photography and nursery wall art business in Halifax.

Sweets, tea and coffee will be available, and Shannon's mom, Linda Knowles MacPherson will provide background piano selections.

Website: Newborn Photography: [www.ShannonNewtonPhotography.com](http://www.ShannonNewtonPhotography.com)

Website: Nursery Wall Art: [www.SomethingCutePrints.com](http://www.SomethingCutePrints.com)

Nepisiguit Heritage Museum, Gallery 360 360 Douglas Ave. Bathurst, NB

**St. Luke's Presbyterian Church** A fund-raising yard sale and used book sale will be held at St. Luke's Presbyterian Church, 395 Murray Avenue, Bathurst at 9:00 am on Saturday June 2 and June 30. Included with the yard sale are a large number of used books. There will be a wide range of genres available, fiction (most genres including children's) and non-fiction (self-help, cook books, hobbies, war, devotional/inspirational, biographies etc). There will also be a limited number of music related items, yard sale items and crafts. New items added weekly. Proceeds to support the mission work of the Atlantic Mission Society.

**RSVP Ministries** invites you to our Healthy Summer Snacks Luncheon at House of Lee – Grand Buffet, 315 Main Street, Bathurst on Wednesday, June 27, 2018 \$17.50 from 11:30am - 1:00pm, doors open at 11:00am. Kayla Daigle, dietitian with Sobeys will speak to us about healthy summer snacks, and Esther Martin, special guest speaker from Cloridorme Quebec will deliver her message on "Finishing well". **Reservations and cancellations are necessary before Saturday, June 23.**

Please contact Joanne at 542-1118 or [ejgodin@rogers.com](mailto:ejgodin@rogers.com) or contact Connie at 546-2127. Note: for those who have dietary restrictions, please contact Joanne for the alternate meal.

**The Bathurst Art Society** is holding their 2nd Art Auction at the Donald Eddy Hall on Saturday June 16th at 12:00. Tickets are \$12.00 and available at Catherine and Co., or the Bay Breeze Art Gallery in La Promenade, at 82 Douglas Ave. For more information please call 546-6937. This is a fundraiser to help support the ongoing arts programs in our community.

*We cannot live only for ourselves.  
A thousand fibers  
connect us with our fellow men.  
~Herman Melville~*

**Highlights – Bathurst Pastoral Council**  
**May 29, 2018**

Bathurst Pastoral Council met in the Eddy Room with Sandra Boone presiding. Also present were Judy Losier, secretary; Brenda Parrott, vice-chair; Anne Brooks, Ian Oliver, Wayne Lord, Linda Newell, Isabel MacLaggan, Dave Morison, treasurer; and Rev. Blair Lewis who opened the meeting with prayer.

Dave reported that the General Fund loss for the first four months of 2018 was \$5,795. This was \$1744 less than the loss budgetted.

Total revenue for the period was \$265 below budget. This was attributed to \$4,000 from United Church Women and a larger profit from Ways and Means projects in the amount of \$2,368. Not only was the UCW payment more than expected but it came earlier in the year.

Dave said 21 people have increased their PAR pledges but he stressed that local givings “remain a challenge”. Expenses to date are \$2,008 below budget.

Anne Brooks reported that 11 UCW members will be presented with life memberships at their June 4 luncheon meeting.

Rev. Lewis reported on the massive changes in the United Church that will become effective January 1, 2019. He will be acting on a committee this summer that will be working out details having to do with budget and other implications.

While attending the annual meeting of Maritime Conference in May, Rev. Lewis was among 10 people honoured at the banquet for retiring ministers. He received a certificate marking his 42 years in ministry.

With regard to the upcoming changes in the National Church, Miramichi Presbytery will be holding its final meeting in early September. The meeting in Bathurst will be a celebration and will include a noon luncheon, musical entertainment and Holy Communion as well as the usual business.

Brenda Parrott reported that the application for a summer student has been approved. It entails 35 hours a week for seven weeks for an amount of \$3,076.

Wayne Lord, as team chair of Ministry and Personnel, said that the church office will be closed on Friday during June, July and August as it was last year.

Reporting for the Board of Trustees, Isabel MacLaggan said the insurance premium on the church property will be the same for the coming year, the amount being \$8,669.

The statement of policy regarding Marriage Covenant Services has been received. The wording was changed to include all persons requesting marriage thereby eliminating the need for a separate policy for same sex marriages.

A report from Gary Branch notified Council that an updated copy of cemetery records has been added to the Cemetery Binder in the church office. Mowing at the West Bathurst and St. Luke’s cemeteries will be carried out at a cost of \$2,990, the same amount as last year.

As team chair of Christian Development, Brenda Parrott said flowers were taken to Adrienne Hazen and Marie Oliver as a thank-you gesture for the work on the attractive murals in the Donald Eddy Memorial Hall. She said the Chicken Salad Takeout netted \$1,400.

The financial report showed the Mothers Day flower contributions netted close to \$700.

The next Council meeting will be held on September 25.

*Isabel MacLaggan*

## *More Than Ever*

*In today's chaotic world,  
With everything around us crumbling,  
Morality held in contempt,  
Our leaders false, corrupt, or bumbling,*

*More than ever, we need Christ  
To lead us through this darkening place;  
His absolute truth will light our way;  
He'll lift us with His love and grace.*

*The Bible is our cornerstone;  
In God's word, we take our stands;  
Role models we will strive to be,  
Examples of our Lord's commands.*

*Dear Lord Jesus, strengthen us  
To complete the tasks you'd have us do;  
We pray you'll lead us, guide us now  
To know and love and follow you.*

*By Joanna Fuchs*

## **2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 New International Version (NIV)**

<sup>13</sup> It is written: "I believed; therefore I have spoken."<sup>[a]</sup> Since we have that same spirit of<sup>[b]</sup> faith, we also believe and therefore speak,

<sup>14</sup> because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you to himself.

<sup>15</sup> All this is for your benefit, so that the grace that is reaching more and more people may cause thanksgiving to overflow to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup> Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.

<sup>17</sup> For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.

<sup>18</sup> So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

### **Awaiting the New Body**

<sup>5</sup> For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands.

## **Mark 3:20-35 New International Version (NIV)**

### **Jesus Accused by His Family and by Teachers of the Law**

<sup>20</sup> Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat.

<sup>21</sup> When his family<sup>[a]</sup> heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."

<sup>22</sup> And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons."

<sup>23</sup> So Jesus called them over to him and began to speak to them in parables: "How can Satan drive out Satan?"

<sup>24</sup> If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.

<sup>25</sup> If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand.

<sup>26</sup> And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come.

<sup>27</sup> In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house without first tying him up. Then he can plunder the strong man's house.

<sup>28</sup> Truly I tell you, people can be forgiven all their sins and every slander they utter,

<sup>29</sup> but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; they are guilty of an eternal sin."

<sup>30</sup> He said this because they were saying, "He has an impure spirit."

<sup>31</sup> Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. <sup>32</sup> A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you."

<sup>33</sup> "Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked.

<sup>34</sup> Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers!"

<sup>35</sup> Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."