Corner Brook United Church

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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 10 am - 2 pm

We're able to receive bulletin info until Wed. at 1 pm

Rev van Vliet's email is **firstministercb@gmail.com** His phone is **632-7129**. He tries to take Fridays off

Rev Cook's email is **13scoutie@gmail.com** Her phone is **689-6795**.

Washrooms

Upstairs: through the door to the right of the stage **Downstairs**: the exit between the two coat racks

We strive to be a **scent free** facility.

Corner Brook United Church

March 9, 2025





March 9, 2025 - Lent I

Prelude

Introit

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship: (adapted from Psalm 91)

L: We live the most high's shelter, camping in the Almighty's shade.

P: I say to the Lord, "You are my refuge, my stronghold! The one I trust!"

L: God will save you from the hunter's trap.

P: You'll find refuge under God's wings. His faithfulness is a protective shield.

L: Don't be afraid of terrors in the night, or arrows that fly in daylight...

P: ...or sickness that prowls in the dark, or destruction that ravages at noontime.

L: Because he will order his messengers to help you, to protect you wherever you go.

P: They will carry you with their own hands so you won't bruise your foot on a stone.

Hymn: Forty Days and Forty Nights

VU 114

Prayer of Thanksgiving for God's Presence

Anthem On Eagle's Wings

Readings: Genesis 3: 1-7

Luke 4: 1 – 13

Message: Neither the first, nor the last temptation

Hymn: Jesus, Tempted in the Desert VU 115

Offertory Hymn: *Praise God from Whom...* VU 541

Offertory Prayer

Community Prayer/LORD's Prayer

Hymn: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah VU 651

Blessing

Postlude

A note on worship:

Today's reading features the Devil. As Luke's gospel was intended for the gentiles the word he tends to use is Devil, meaning *slanderer*. Matthew and Mark tend to use the more Jewish term Satan, meaning *adversary*.

In various places throughout scripture the Devil/Satan is described as a fallen angel, latent negative power *within* ourselves, or negative forces of the world *outside* ourselves. Regardless of the name or exact attributes, the Devil/Satan is consistently portrayed as the origin and distributor of sin and darkness – and against hope, peace, joy, love, happiness, wholeness, and the general concept of light.

Announcements

Join us downstairs after today's service for coffee and conversation.

Services will be **11 am** until March 30th.

Tax Receipts are available at the back of the church.

Our **Annual Meeting** is now set for next Sunday, March 16th, immediately following worship.

Annual Reports are at the back. There are 3 stacks. Please pick up your former church's report, and everyone pick up a 2025 Corner Brook United report. We're not trying to be secretive, but each copy costs about \$5 to print off. If you really want to see the "other" church's 2024 Annual Report the office can get you a copy.

The next **Outreach Lunch** will be Wednesday, March 12th from 11:30 am to 12:30. We're always looking for volunteers.

There will be a **UCW** meeting on Monday, March 17th at 2 pm in the Lower Hall.

There will be a supper meeting of the Corner Brook United Church **Men's Club** on March 19 at 5:30 pm. Moose Stew at a cost of \$15.00. We will have a brief meeting afterwards to discuss any business, followed by a defibrillator demonstration. If you plan to attend, please contact Bruce Penney by email, bpenney53@hotmail.com, or at 638-5549 — on or before Sunday, March 16.

Camber Arts is proud to announce the muchanticipated production of Lionel Bart's *Oliver!* It will run from March 13 through March 15 at The Corner Brook Arts and Culture Centre. Tickets are available now through the ACC box office either online, in person, or by phone at (709)637-2580.

Memorials

In loving memory of wife, Lucien Mosher and brother Frank Mosher by Roy Mosher