

"At Mount Royal United Church, our mission is to serve God; living our faith inside and outside these walls and nurturing each individual on their faith journey."

## **November 14th, 2021**

Congregational responses in bold.

#### We Come Together

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## Call to Worship:

One: As the day dawns anew,

All: so do our spirits.

One: As our community gathers,

All: so does our Joy.

One: As God's love awakens us,

All: our hearts become one. And so it is, as we

worship!

**Opening Prayer** (in unison)

Come, Holy Spirit, come. Renew your whole creation, nature and grace, soul and body, and all manner of matter. Move in and around us, filling us with your creative energy and extravagant light. May our hearts be open, and may our minds be stirred by your grace, meeting us here in worship this morning. Allow that love to change us and then send us out into the world as bearers of your light. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**Hymn:** "We Praise You, O God"

VU#218

Personal Prayer:

"O God We Call"

**VU#411** 

(concluded as we pray together our family prayer)

## We Listen to the Word

# **Learning Time Lesson**

## **Learning Time Prayer:**

Thank you, God, for all the times we feel Your Spirit with us. It helps us know when you are near, around us and within us. Help us feel secure in your love, that as things change and grow, the light of Christ will show us your way, brightening the path as we go. Amen.

Hymn:

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

VU#371

**Reader:** Cathy Elderkin

# **Prayer for Understanding**

Loving God, your Word is an ever-living guide to us, revealing to us, the path of love and peace within the world and within our lives. As we approach your Word this morning, may it resonate with our own hearts, that we might be changed by the hearing and moved to action in our reflecting. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Scripture Reading: Mark 13: 1-8

One: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

All: Thanks be to you our Lord Jesus

**Sermon** "It's Change but is It Good Change?"

**Anthem** "When the Planets are Aligned" Mark Blakney

## We Respond to the Word

## **Invitation to the Offering**

Beloved of God, knowing that everything in life worth having, including life itself, comes from the very heart of God's Spirit; let us, out of gratitude give now of our time, talent, and treasure that the work of Jesus in the world may continue.

Offertory Prayer (unison): God of Love, bless these, the gifts of our hearts, that they may be shared in the spirit of an ever-changing people. We are ever seeking ways to live our faith and to grow together in love, that one day your Kingdom may truly come. Amen.

**Hymn:** "May the God of Hope Go with Us" **VU#424** 

**Prayers of the People** 

Closing Blessing (unison):

May the steadfast love of God renew you, the Word of Jesus the Christ guide you, and the power of the Holy Spirit strengthen you now and forever. Amen.

# **Extinguishing of the Christ Candle**

#### **Postlude**

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#### This Weeks Events

Monday	7-9pm	Visioning Comm	Church Hall
Wednesday	7pm	Choir Practice	Sanctuary