



Mount Royal United Church

"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."

World Communion Sunday

October 3rd, 2021

Congregational responses in bold.

We Come Together

Prelude

Lee Wilson

Greeting

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: Come beloved of God; for you are blessed.

All: We come to worship the One who made us.

One: Come, children of God; for you are loved.

All: We come to worship the one who is Love.

One: Come, people of God; for you are one in Christ,

All: and together we are the Body of Christ.

Opening Prayer (*in unison*)

Loving God, as your Spirit flew out over the waters of creation, life itself began. Our living earth was nourished, and tiny seed grew into magnificent forests. As we enter worship this morning, we pray that your Spirit descends upon us now, creating within us a well spring of love, that quenches our thirst, nourishes our souls, and enters our lives with healing, hope and joy. Amen.

Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" **VU#315**

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:

Loving God, we thank you for inviting us today: to hear the stories of Jesus, that will help us on our way. We need to be reminded that we are never on our own--when your Spirit brings us together, through us your love is shown. Feed us so that we are ready to help others who are in need, that together we might serve you in thoughts and words and deeds. Amen.

Hymn:

"I Am a Child of God"

MV#157

Prayer for Understanding

Reader: Valerie Tremble

Let us pray: Loving God, as we enter into the mystery of your life alive within our own, we pray this day that your Word would reveal to us signs of love, hope, and joy in our daily lives. Enable within us the courage to take those gifts and share them with the world you so love. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Scripture Reading: Matthew 14:13-21

One: This is the Gospel of Jesus, the Christ

All: Praise be to you our Lord Jesus.

Sermon

"That All May Be One"

Anthem

"River Flows in You" - Hannah Townsend

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering

In Christ, we are one and as one we make our offerings now. We trust that through Christ, these offerings will reach the unseen, lift up the lowly, and comfort the broken and the breaking.

Offertory Prayer (unison): -3-

Generous and Loving God, we come before you today offering our gifts, knowing that you have the power to take even our smallest offerings and multiply them beyond our imagination. Accept our offerings, bless, and use them to the benefit of this community and to the benefit of your world. Along with our offering today, we also bring needed items for the clients of the St. George Mission. Allow these gifts to bring warmth of body, heart, and soul. Amen.

Hymn: "One Bread, One Body"

VU#467

Service of Holy Communion

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, at all times and in all places, O God. Through your living Word, you created all things and pronounced them good. You made human beings in your own image, persons capable of entering into relationships both with you and with each other.... You have called us together as one great family and so today we join with all your people on earth praising your name in the unending song of faith, saying:

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the Highest.**

One: In the fullness of time, you sent the Chosen one, Jesus of Nazareth; The Christ, your own, to call your splintered creation together again.... Now on this day, his followers all around the world are gathering at table to remember and share, and we are among those who are coming to this feast of love. In remembrance of these, your mighty acts in Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Peace:

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Fraction and Pouring

Distribution of the Elements

Concluding Prayer:

One: Now we are one: we are one with each other, one with the church universal, one with Christ and so as one let us pray together our concluding prayer:

All: Lord Jesus Christ, you had once put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours. Take us, renew us and remake us. What we have been is past; what we shall be through you, still awaits us, and on this day may the light of Christ dwell within us guiding our way. ~Amen

Closing Blessing (unison):

**We go now, off into God's world,
refreshed, nourished and one as the Body of Christ;
and may the Love of God, the Peace of Christ and the
Strength of the Holy Spirit go with you
this day and forevermore. Amen.**

Extinguishing of the Christ Candle

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Oct 3 – Debbie, Oct 10 – Erik, Oct 17 – Elizabeth, Oct 24 – Esther
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Oct 3 – Tracy, Oct 10 – Stephen, Oct 17 – Tracy, Oct 24 – Stephen

This Weeks Events

Monday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
	7:00pm	Visioning Comm	Boardroom
Tuesday	10:00am	Craft Group	Church Hall
	11:30am	UCW	Church Hall
Wednesday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
	7:00pm	Choir practice TBD	Sanctuary
Thursday	6:15pm	Brownies	Church Hall
Friday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
Saturday	10am	Tai Chi	Church Hall

Fundraising - Grocery Gift cards are currently for sale and can be purchased from Terry Foreman at 388-4887 or Tracy in the church office at 855-5771.