



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."

July 10th, 2022 – Third Sunday after Pentecost

Congregational responses in bold. (*) Indicates Standing.

We Come Together

Prelude... (*this is an opportunity for us to appreciate the gift of music and prepare our hearts for worship*)

Greeting

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Land Acknowledgement:

We acknowledge that the land upon which we worship, work, and live is the traditional land of the Wabanaki people; in this area they are the Mi'kmaq, Maliseet, and Passamaquoddy. As a people who believe the Spirit works in us and through us, may Love guide us as we seek right relations with all Indigenous siblings.

Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: Come, friends in Christ, let us worship in the Spirit,

All: the Spirit of life that tends our living.

One: Come, friends in Christ, let this worship pour from our hearts,

All: out into this world, to stranger and neighbour.

One: Come, friends in Christ, allow love to be our guide,

All: as we lift the lowly, restore hope in the hopeless, seeking out the lost and the lonely.

One: We worship now through Grace enfolded by God's light.

Opening Prayer: (unison)

O God we thank You for all the things You do with us and for us. Hold us close now in this time of worship. Today,

we bring the cares of our lives and the deepest yearnings of our souls. Strengthen us, we pray, to move out into Your world loving our neighbors beyond any boundary or border, beyond all reason and imagination. Allow us to be Your healing font of love spilling out into the hearts of all Your children. It is in Jesus' precious name that we pray. Amen.

***Hymn:** "In Christ There Is No East or West" **VU#606**

Personal Prayer: "Cradle Me in Your Arms" **MV#91**
(concluded as we pray together the Lord's Prayer)

Children's Learning Time

Children's Prayer:

Thank you for Your love, dear God, that's with us every day. For Jesus and his teachings, that help us on our way. Help us to be brave, and notice when things are wrong, that we will share that love with others, so that they too can feel strong. As members of Your body, we know that we have a part: to love and care for all of Your world, to show everyone Your heart. Amen.

***Hymn:** "I Love to Tell the Story" **VU#343**

We Listen to the Word

Prayer for Understanding **Reader:** Lee Wilson

Loving God, we open our hearts to Your Word this morning with appreciation for Your loving wisdom. Open us to Your teaching, readying us to feel Your presence and receive Your Word. We share our deepest thanks for Jesus, Your Son, who lives with You and the Holy Spirit, whose wisdom is revealed in these readings and who continues to change our lives to this day, **Amen.**

Scripture Lessons: Luke 10: 25-37

One: This is the Word of God.

All: **Love for our living, Grace for our growing.**

Sermon "One Day"

Anthem

"The Quiet Lagoon" by Jon George

Prayers of the People

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering:

Just as the man who fell into the hands of robbers was lifted by an act of supreme love, our lives bear the marks of God's love and care. May we, who have been so blessed, rejoice as we make our offering this day. With love and thanksgiving, we make the offerings of our hearts, praying they be used in ways that both neighbour and stranger come to know the fullness of this life.

Offertory Prayer: *(unison)*

God of all time and our future hope, we offer these gifts with open hearts, praying they be taken and used in ways that go beyond our knowledge and understanding to be a blessing for others. Along with these offerings, we bring to You our lives, praying that You would use us and transform us into Samaritans for this world. In Jesus' tender name we pray. Amen.

***Hymn:**

VU#600

Blessing: *(unison)*

**We go with God's Love surrounding us,
the friendship of Jesus accompanying us,
and The Spirit's light guiding us,
this day and in the week to come. Amen.**

Extinguishing the Christ Candle

Postlude