

"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."

June 26th, 2022 – Third Sunday after Pentecost

Congregational responses in bold. (*) Indicates Standing.

<u>We Come Together</u>

Prelude

Greeting

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship:

- One: Come, all those weary from the busy and the bustle of the week:
- All: God's steadfast love awaits you.
- One: Come, all those with delight for the abundance of everyday treasures:
- All: God's steadfast love awaits you.
- One: Come, all those made restless by indifference to injustice:
- All: God's steadfast love awaits you.
- One: Come, all who search for glimpses of quiet transcendence:
- All: God's steadfast love awaits you.
- One: Come, all those with frayed spirits from the pull of unseen difficulties:
- All: God's steadfast love awaits you.
- One: Come, all those with open hearts ready to listen for God's heart among you:
- All: God's steadfast love awaits you as we worship.

Opening Prayer: (unison) -2-

Gracious God, each of us carries baggage of this world, and sometimes we find it hard to set it down and move away. Touch our hearts and minds within the flow of worship this morning, that we may be opened to Your loving Grace. May that Grace enable us to turn over the weight we carry and help us to learn when to pick up and when to put down. Warm us and uplift us with Your presence as we joyfully worship you this day. In the Spirit of Christ, we pray. Amen

"It Only Takes a Spark" Hymn: VU#289 **Personal Prayer:** "Cradle Me in Your Arms"

(concluded as we pray together the Lord's Prayer)

Children's Learning Time

Children's Prayer: We give you thanks this day, dear God, for courage and joy and peace: these gifts help us to know You, and to feel Your love increase. When life is hard and scary, help us to know You're there. Let Your love grow inside us, showing the world that we care. Amen.

Hymn:

"What a Friend We have in Jesus" VU# 664

We Listen to the Word

Prayer for Understanding Scripture Lessons: 2 Kings 2: 1-2, 6-14, Luke 9: 51-62 This is the Word of God, One: light to our lives, love for our hearts. All: Sermon "Picking Up and Putting Down" "Everywhere I Go" – Natalie Sleeth Anthem

Prayers of the People

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering

Reader: Karen Tanner

MV#91

Offertory Prayer:

Generous God, we bring these offerings to You this day. They are the work of our hands, our hearts, and our minds. We celebrate our continued ministry with You and pray You would bless what we offer today. Multiply beyond measure these gifts that, Your children most in need, may come to know the world You hope and dream. Allow us to be Your agents of change. In the tender name of Christ, we ask these things. Amen.

Hymn:	"Like a Healing Stream"	MV#144
Blessing:	<i>(unison)</i> May our God of Love lift us, The Son of Peace walk beside us, And the Spirit guide us this day and In each day to come. Amen.	

Extinguishing the Christ Candle

Postlude

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Screen operators for the coming weeks: June 26 Debbie, July 3 Esther, July 10 Elizabeth, July 17 Erik Sound/Prompter operators for the coming weeks: June 26 Tracy, July 3 Stephen, July 10 Tracy, July 17 Stephen

This Week's Events

Tuesday	10:00am	Craft Group	Church Hall
Saturday	10:00am	Tai Chi	Church Hall

Announcements

Grocery gift cards are available from the office at 855-5771. They are available in \$50 and \$100 denominations.

"I Wonder" Box - Do you wonder why something is in the Bible? How to put faith into action? Do you have an idea or dream to share? There is now an "I Wonder" box at the back of the church for those burning questions, bright ideas or unsolved mysteries. Simply write it down in a slip of paper and place it in the box.