



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."

September 18th, 2022

Congregational responses are in bold. (*) Indicates Standing.

We Come Together

Prelude

Greeting

The Lighting of the Christ Candle

Land Acknowledgement:

Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: Waiting and hoping, we gather together,

All: seeking God's presence and singing God's praise.

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All: praying and listening for the guidance of the Spirit.

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**All: With Christ's love within us, we are children of
Grace. Come, let us worship together!**

**Opening Prayer: Holy One, as we approach You in praise
and prayer this morning, we come rejoicing in Your love,
knowing that You are with us as the breath of all life.**

**Continue working through us and with us, as a faithful
community of Your Grace. Empower us to live Your law of
love that sets us free and calls us to free others. In the
tender name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

***Hymn: "Let Us Build a House"**

MV#1

Children's Learning Time

Children's Prayer:

Thank you, God, for loving us and helping us to grow; for Jesus and his stories that show us the way to go. Help us to follow your Spirit, that shows us how to be, who we truly are, in your love, set us free. Amen

*Hymn: "It Only Takes a Spark" **VU#289**

We Listen to the Word

Prayer for Understanding

Reader: Susan Fowler

Scripture Lesson: Luke 16: 1-13

One: This is the living Word of Christ,

All: which walks beside us and sets us free.

Sermon "Finding Freedom"

Anthem "Family of Faith"

Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to Offering

Offertory Prayer: (*unison*)

Source of every good gift, You call us to be wise with the true riches of Your Kingdom. May this offering show such wisdom, that having been found faithful in a little, You will trust us to be faithful in much. We offer You these gifts in gratitude for Your love, that they may bring healing and light to each of Your beloved children. In the Loving name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn: "Go, Make a Diff'rence" **MV#209**

Benediction: May the Love of God, The freedom that Christ offers, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit

be with and remain with you all this day and always. **Amen.**

Extinguishing the Christ Candle

Postlude

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Sep 18 Erik, **Sep 25** Elizabeth, **Oct 2** Erik **Oct 9** Esther

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Sep 18 Tracy, **Sep 25** Stephen, **Oct 2** Tracy, **Oct 9** Stephen

This Week's Events

Today	11:30am	Community Fun Day	outside
Monday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
	7:00pm	Worship Committee	Boardroom
Tuesday	10:00am	Craft Group	Church Hall
	1:00pm	Art Club	Church Hall
	7:00pm	Church Council	Boardroom
Wednesday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
Friday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall

Announcements

Community fun day –Free hot dogs, face-painting, games and an opportunity to find out what groups are available for you.

Scouting Bottle Drive - Saturday, **Sept 24** 9am-noon.

Rummage Sale – Friday, **October 21** and Saturday, **Oct 22**.

“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.