



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."

October 17th, 2021

Congregational responses in bold.

We Come Together

Prelude

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Arr: C. Berry

Greeting

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Land Acknowledgement

Minute for Mission

Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: Grateful for this day,

All: We hear God's call to gather!

One: Grateful for this community,

All: We follow the voice of Jesus to come!

One: Grateful for all of creation,

All: We lean into the presence of the Spirit as we worship together!

Opening Prayer (*in unison*)

Holy One, with hearts full of gratitude and lips full of praise, we join our voices together in prayer. We pray this day, not seeking to be at your right or left, but to feel closer to your Spirit so that we might follow in the ways of Jesus. Give us the strength and courage that we need to be your disciples, the ones who bring love and compassion to the people and places that need them most. Continue to inspire us so that we recognize your voice when you call us. We ask all these things in the name of Jesus, Amen.

Hymn: "Here I Am, Lord" **VU#509**

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:

On the right, on the left, close up or far away, we thank you for your presence, God, each and every day. We know you are with us in all we say and do, so may your Spirit bless us with gifts that serve you. Open hearts, hands and minds dear God, in all the ways we grow; Help us recognize your light and love everywhere we go. Amen.

Hymn: "Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom" **MV#10**

Prayer for Understanding

Reader: Esther Mah

One: Holy One, open our hearts to your Holy Word.

All: **Help us hear your voice in the words we hear
and in the silence that lies between them. Amen.**

Scripture Reading: Mark 10: 35-45

One: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

All: **Thanks be to you our Lord Jesus**

Sermon "Let's Go Upstream Together"

Anthem "In His Time" by Maranatha

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Prayer (unison):

God of hope, we dedicate these gifts to the ministry of love and justice in the world. May we ever seek to use your gifts to create a world and a church where all are welcome and honored, loved and seen. On this day we also bring gifts of food. Bless them and allow them to reach

those who would otherwise go hungry. This we pray in the name of Jesus, who welcomed everyone to his table. Amen.

Hymn: "Will You Come and Follow Me" **VU#567**

Prayers of the People

Closing Blessing (unison):

May the God whose loves fills us with peace and joy bless us as we go fourth to do the work of justice in the world.

Our service has ended, our service begins. Amen.

Extinguishing of the Christ Candle

Postlude

Postlude#2

by D. Bédard

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Screen operators for the coming weeks:

Oct 17 – Elizabeth, **Oct 24** – Erik, **Oct 31** – Debbie, **Nov 7** – Esther

Sound/Prompter operators for the coming weeks:

Oct 17 – Tracy, **Oct 24** – Stephen, **Oct 31** – Tracy, **Nov 7** – Stephen

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.

This Weeks Events

Monday	7pm	Visioning Committee	Church Hall & By Teams
Tuesday	7pm	Church Council	By Teams
Wednesday	7pm	Choir Practice	Sanctuary