



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."

February 27th, 2022 – Transfiguration Sunday

Congregational responses in bold.

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

Announcements

Call to Worship: One: In the breathtaking view of a winter vista,

All: your transfiguration comes.

One: In the smile of a baby embraced by a parent,

All: your transfiguration comes.

One: In the gentle advice of a trusted friend,

All: your transfiguration comes.

One: As night gives way to your morning light,

All: your transfiguration comes.

One: As we walk in your grace and live in your love,

All: our transfiguration has begun!

Opening Prayer: (*unison*): **Great and gracious God, your ways are beyond knowing, your mystery too deep to fathom. Yet, time and again, you come into our lives, drawing us into your love and inviting us to live in your grace. As you are transfigured before us in glory today, and the light of your life surrounds and enfolds us, may we too**

be transfigured into a people who share your peace, carry your love, and follow your light. As we journey with you, allow us to be transfigured until our hearts beat in rhythm with yours, and your Kingdom has truly come, Amen.

Hymn: "Come, Let Us Sing" **VU#222**

Personal Prayer "Send Your Holy Spirit" x2 **VU#370**
(concluded as we pray together the Lord's Prayer)

We Listen to the Word

Children's Time

Children's Time Prayer: In light, dear God, we see you, invited by your grace, with mystery and love, filling time and space. Allow our eyes to focus, that we may see you clear, your Spirit here among us, your voice for all to hear. As we follow in your footsteps, your light, within, our guide, may we also be transformed, and in your love reside, **Amen.**

Hymn: "Spirit God, Be Our Breath" **MV#150**

Prayer for Understanding **Reader:** Nancy Brown

Gospel Lesson: Luke 9: 28-36

One: May the Word of God rest on your hearts this day.

All: Thanks be to God, Amen.

Sermon "Transfigured"

Anthem "It Is Well with My Soul" Brenda & Lee

Prayers of the People

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering: In light and in wonder, today we see Jesus transfigured before us. Today, we are witness to the great gift of God among us as one of us. In response to this gift, we are changed, and we continue to change as disciples of God's great grace. In response to that grace, along with our offering, we

rededicate ourselves to the ministry of Jesus with us, working through us.

Offertory Prayer (*unison*) **Creator God, accept these gifts with our love and gratitude for all you have given us. As we are guided by your Spirit, may we do your will to further the work of Jesus; that his ministry of compassion and justice would take root in our world, changing us forever as we conform to him whom you send in love, Jesus the Christ, Amen.**

Hymn: "Christ Has No Body Now but Yours" **MV#171**

Blessing: (*unison*) **We go out into the world now: back to our homes, our work, our responsibility and our joys. As we go out, we go knowing that we are forever changed by a love that will not let us go. We go now in peace, following Christ's light. Amen.**

Extinguishing of the Christ Candle

Postlude

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Feb 27 Stephen, **Mar 2** (AW) Tracy, **Mar 6** Stephen, **Mar 13** Tracy

This Week's Events

Monday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
	6:30pm	Cubs	Church Hall
	7-9pm	Visioning Committee	Church Hall
Tuesday	10:00am	Craft Group	Church Hall
	1:00pm	Art Club	Church Hall
	6:30pm	Beavers	Church Hall
Wednesday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
	6:30pm	Ash Wed Service	Sanctuary
Thursday	6:15pm	Brownies	Church Hall
Friday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
Saturday	10-12pm	Tai Chi	Church Hall

Condolences - The prayers of the congregation are extended to the family of Ruth Peters of St. Margaret's Bay, NS who passed away on February 21 (her 96th birthday). She was one of the founding members of Mount Royal.