



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 17th, 2022 – Third Sunday after Pentecost

Congregational responses in bold. (*) Indicates Standing.

We Come Together

Prelude

Greeting

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship: One: We pause now from our week, filled with it's needs and demands.

All: We come to sit quietly at the feet of Christ,

One: opening our hearts to receive His Grace,

All: and opening our minds to be refreshed by His voice.

One: This is the day that the Lord has made,

All: let us rejoice in this day and find peace through our worship.

Opening Prayer: *(unison)*

Gracious and ever-loving God, we come to You in the midst of summer, longing to hear Your voice, and to quietly rest by Your side. Fill us with Your Spirit that whispers to us words of love, direction, hope, and peace. Shine your light upon us that we, like Martha, may be drawn back from all that worries and distracts, into Your loving embrace. In the name of your Son Jesus, our friend and teacher, we pray. Amen.

***Hymn:** "Take My Life and Let It Be" **VU#506**

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:

We thank you God, that in our world, there is so much to see and do: So many people and places and things, that it's sometimes hard to choose. But when things feel too busy, Your Spirit slows us down. Help us to sit and listen when we need to be turned around. Thank you for the voice of Jesus that leads us as we go. Continue to be the love we need, that's with us always as we grow. Amen

***Hymn:** "Come Touch Our Hearts" **MV#12**

We Listen to the Word

Prayer for Understanding

Reader: Jean Lawlor

Scripture Lessons: Luke 10: 38-42

One: This is light for our journey,

All: **and wisdom in our growing.**

Sermon "Lamp Pole"

Anthem "Bring Back the Springtime" by Kurt Kaiser

Prayers of the People

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Prayer: *(unison)*

Caring God, as You receive our offering this day, remind us how to share Your love with the world. In our living, let us be your hands that comfort, your heart that loves, and your voice that reaches out into every corner of creation. Bless our offering to the needs of Your children

here in this community and throughout Your world. It is in Jesus' name that we pray. Amen.

*Hymn: "What Can I Do" X 2

MV#191

Blessing: One: Go now as people of the light,
All: God's Light shines upon us.
One: Go now as people of peace,
All: Christ's Peace rests within us.
One: Go as people of the Spirit,
All: God's Spirit leads our way.

Extinguishing the Christ Candle

Postlude

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July 17 Elizabeth, **July 24** Erik, **July 31** Esther, **Sep 4** Elizabeth

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July 17 Stephen, **July 24** Tracy, **July 31** Stephen, **Sep 4** Tracy

"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 on a slip of paper and place it in the box.

Tuesday	10:00am	Craft Group	Church Lawn or Kitchen
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