



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."

May 29th, 2022 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

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:

One: Light of the world.

All: Love of our hearts.

One: Peace of our living.

All: Grace in our growing.

One: Light of all lights,

All: within the faces of our faith....

One: (*lighting our Christ light – Tracy*)

One: Light of our world enlightening our living!

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: When the wind of confusion fills our breath,
and the shadows of fear echo every step.

**All: Restore our hearts into faith and light,
That we may follow at your delight.**

One: When every doorway seems locked up tight,
and every thought weighted by the night.

**All: Restore our hearts into faith and light,
that we may follow at your delight.**

One: When our sheltering ground overturns the tables,
as our nourishing streams turn hostile and unstable.

**All: Restore our hearts into faith and light,
that we may follow at your delight.**

One: We worship now in your sight,

All: in your love and in your light.

Opening Prayer: *(unison)*

**Source of all love, you journey with us, offering
endless compassion and enduring strength on our
faith journey. As we worship this day, hear our
prayers and weave within us patterns of healing and
hope wherever the fabric of life has been torn. Where
fear threatens to overwhelm, allow faith to enlighten
our living. Where skepticism creeps into the corners
of our lives, may Your Word guide us. Where
uncertainty clouds our thinking, allow the Peace of
Your Son Jesus to name us and claim us, as friend and
family. It is in His precious name we pray. Amen.**

Hymn: "Spirit of God, Unleashed on Earth" **VU#207**

Personal Prayer "Open Our Hearts" **MV#21**
(Concluded as we pray together the Lord's Prayer)

Children's Learning Time

Children's Prayer: *(repeat after me)*

**We thank you dear God, for your love, that helps us
find our way. When fear stops us from knowing that love,
let Jesus enfold us we pray. If we find ourselves in places,
where we might want to stop or hide, allow Your Spirit to
remind us, your love is a gift deep inside. Amen.**

Hymn: "Over My Head" **MV#88**

We Listen to the Word

Prayer for Understanding

Reader: Penny McIntyre

Scripture Lesson: Daniel 3: 14-28

One: This is light for our living,

All: love for our hearts.

Sermon

“As Faith Meets Fear”

Anthem

“Cool Under Fire” by Valerie MacKenzie

Prayers of the People

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering:

It is in faith we make our offerings of time, talent and treasure this day, praying each would reach out and beyond our lives, community, and imaginations. Enable them to move into the hearts of all your children who so dearly need the opportunity to reach beyond fear, and into the gentle rhythm of God’s Spirit living and enfolding all lives this day.

Offertory Prayer: (*unison*)

Precious Lord of love and life, we know that our every need is already met. Our giving offers a gentle reminder of our continuing need to learn generosity from Your hand. Give us the joy that comes from seeing what You can accomplish with these gifts of our hearts. Make us glad in our giving as we are witness to the possibilities of life and living through them. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Hymn:

“In the Quiet Curve of Evening”

VU#278

Blessing: (*unison*)

We go from here, knowing that as worship is over, our service begins. God goes before us, Jesus walks beside us,

and may the Holy Spirit enlighten our faith that fear may never lead us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Extinguishing the Christ Candle

Postlude

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May 29 Tracy, **June 5** Stephen, **June 12** Tracy **June 19** Stephen

This Week's Events

Monday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
	9-4pm	Mt A Local Centre Examinations	Sanctuary
	6:30pm	Cubs	Church Hall
Tuesday	10:00am	Craft Group	Church Hall
	9-12pm	Mt A Local Centre Examinations	Sanctuary
	6:30pm	Beavers	Outside
	7:00pm	Visioning Comm	Church Hall

Wednesday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
	1:00pm	Writers Circle	Boardroom
	7:00pm	Choir	Sanctuary
Friday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
Saturday	10:00am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
Sunday	6:30-8pm	Girl Guides	Church Hall

Announcements

The **Baker Family Scholarship** is open to members of Mt Royal United Church graduating from High School in NB. Applicants must be entering a post-secondary institution in the fall. Applications are to be in the form of a 300-word essay outlining the applicant's academic achievements, extracurricular activities, volunteerism and future plans. Applications will close on **May 31, 2022**.

Grocery gift cards are now available from Terry Foreman grocerycards@mountroyaluc.ca or 388-4887 or from the office at 855-5771. They are available in \$50 and \$100 denominations, Thank you for continuing to support this important fundraiser.

Perennial Plant Swap - 11:40am – 1pm, **TODAY!** Divide your perennials and bring a portion to exchange for a different one. This is an outdoor event. If you are just beginning to garden, we will have a plant for you as a gift.

Broadview – Don't forget to renew your subscription!

"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.