

✠ Cloverdale United Church ✠

## ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost | Communion Sunday ~

~ June 6, 2021 ~

Lead Minister: *Rev. Matthew Emery* | Musician: *Dianne Nichols*

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### We Gather

Prelude

Greeting and Welcome

*One:* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

***Many:* And also with you.**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

*(Candle lighter: Amy)*

Call to Worship

*One:* Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

***Many:* The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.**

*One:* We desire to live in God's house  
and to seek God's very presence in the temple of holiness.

***Many:* We have come to sing and make music to the Lord,  
worshipping God in spirit and in truth.**

*One:* May God's thoughts become our thoughts,  
and God's heart our heart:

***Many:* in this hour of worship and always.**

\*Opening Hymn: ✱ VU 642 – Be Thou My Vision (vs. 1,2,4,5)

- ① **Be thou my vision, O joy of my heart;  
naught be all else to me save that thou art,  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping thy presence my light.**
- ② **Be thou my wisdom, my calm in all strife;  
I ever with thee, and thou in my life;  
thou loving parent, thy child may I be,  
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.**
- ④ **Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise,  
thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,  
great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.**
- ⑤ **Great God of heaven, after victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O ruler of all.**

\*Prayer of the Day

**Unlike earthly kings,  
you, Great God of heaven, are ever steadfast and faithful.  
You sent us your Son, Jesus the Christ,  
to rule over us, not as a tyrant,  
but as a gentle shepherd.  
Keep us united and strong in faith,  
that we may always know your presence among us  
and live as people of your heavenly kingdom,  
where you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.**

News from Our Life Together (Announcements)

### We Hear Good News

Gathering Time: Recognizing and Praying God's Blessing on our Graduates

*INTRODUCTION AND RECOGNITION*

*A STORY*

*BLESSING*

*One:* Eternal God, in your will our lives are lived, and by your wisdom truth is found. We pray for graduates who finish a course of study and move on to something new. Take away any anxiety or confusion of purpose. Give them confidence in the future you plan, where energies may be gathered up and given to neighbors in love.

***Many:* Bless all that is behind. Bless all that is ahead. Bless all that is—  
today. With thanks in our hearts and praise on our lips, we thank  
you, O God, for these people and for the joy of this time.**

*One:* We thank you for what you have done and will continue to do in these people.

***Many:* Walk with them in life, and keep all evil from obstructing their path.**

*One:* You see all, O God; you know where the water is deep.

***Many:* Keep them from danger. Order their steps and guide their feet  
while they run the race of faith.**

*One:* Bring the good work that you have begun in them, O God, to completion at the day of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Hymn: ✱ Children of the Morning *(by Jack Grunsky)*

- ① **Rise up to the new day. (x3) It's a brand new day to go your own way.  
Rise up to the new day children of the morning.**
- ② **Turn to the sunlight. (x3) On the earth below she make everything grow.  
Turn to the sunlight children of the morning.**
- ③ **Reach for the rainbow. (x3) Won't you let your love light show.  
Reach for the rainbow children of the morning.**

Scripture Reading in Korean: **1 Samuel 8:4-20**

(Reader: Jiyeong)

Scripture Reading in English: **1 Samuel 8:4-20**

*Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, 'You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.' But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, 'Give us a king to govern us.' Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, 'Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.' So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, 'These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plough his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day. But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, 'No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.'*  
(Word of God, Word of Life. / **Thanks be to God.**)

Sermon: "Be Careful What You Ask for"

Time for Silence

## We Respond

Offering

- Anthem: "Feed Me Lord" (Words & arr. Patrick Liebergen)

Prayers of the People / The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Sacrament of Communion

\*Hymn: ✱ MV 79 – Spirit, Open My Heart (vs. 1, 2)

(Refrain) **Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.**

**As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving, Spirit, open my heart.**

① **God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender.**  
**All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender. (R)**

② **Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.**  
**In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you glory. (R)**

Invitation to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving

(Celebrate God's Presence, Prayer E)

*One:* The Lord be with you

**Many: And also with you**

*One:* Lift up your hearts.

**Many: We lift them to the Lord.**

*One:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*One:* O Holy Wisdom of God,  
eternally offensive to our wisdom,  
and compassionate toward our weakness,  
we praise you and give you thanks,  
because you emptied yourself of power  
and entered our struggle,  
taking upon you our unprotected flesh.  
You opened wide your arms for us upon the cross,  
becoming scandal for our sake,  
that you might sanctify even the grave  
to be a bed of hope to your people.

Therefore, with those who are made refugees in their own land,  
abandoned or betrayed by friends,  
whose bodies are violated or in pain;  
with those who have died alone  
without dignity, comfort or hope;  
and with all the company of saints  
who have carried you in their wounds,  
we join to praise you, saying:

**Many: Holy, holy, holy, vulnerable God.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory!**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of God.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*One:* Blessed is our brother, Jesus,  
who, before his suffering, earnestly desired  
to eat with his companions  
the Passover of liberation;  
who, on the night that he was betrayed,  
took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and said:  
“This is my body, which is for you.  
Do this to remember me.”  
In the same way, after supper, he passed the cup, saying:  
“This cup is the new covenant in my blood.  
Do this whenever you drink it,  
to remember me.”:

***Many:* Remembering the death and celebrating the resurrection,  
we await with hope the coming again  
of compassion and justice to the earth.**

*One:* Therefore, as we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
we are proclaiming Christ’s death until he comes.  
In this communion,  
we restore to memory and hope  
the broken and unremembered victims  
of tyranny and sin;  
and we long for the bread of tomorrow,  
and the wine of the age to come.  
Come then, life-giving Spirit of our God,  
brood over these bodily things,  
and make us one body with Christ,  
that we may labour with creation  
to be delivered from its bondage to decay,  
into the glorious liberty  
of all the children of God.

***Many:* Amen.**

Sharing the Feast

Prayer after Communion

**Eternal and gracious One, though we live in a world of need,  
here we have tasted your goodness and hungered for a world more just.  
Though afflicted by brokenness and division,  
here we have heard your call to be a people of healing community.  
Though daily we touch our limits,  
here we have received the fullness of your grace.  
Send us forth, O God, in faith, in hope, and in love. Amen.**

## **We are Sent Forth**

A Sending Forth with Blessing: Robyn Garland

\*Hymn: ✱ VU 288 – Great Is Thy Faithfulness

- ① **Great is thy faithfulness, God our Creator;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.**

*(Refrain)* **Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided —  
great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!**

- ② **Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. (R)**
- ③ **Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow —  
wondrous the portion thy blessings provide. (R)**

\*Commissioning and Benediction

\*Sending Song: ✱ When You Walk

**When you walk from here, when you walk from here,  
walk with justice, walk with mercy and with God’s humble care. (2x)**

Postlude

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## 🌀 Announcements for June 6, 2021 🌀



### CLOVERDALE UNITED CHURCH

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#### A WEEK AT A GLANCE:

**Sun, June 6:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Communion Sunday /  
Graduation Sunday  
– 10:30 am (on Zoom)

**Tues, June 8:** Bible Study – 10 am

**Thu, June 10:** Thursday Online Gathering – 4:00-4:45 pm

**June 11 – 13:** PMRC General Meeting

**Sun, June 13:** PMRC Region-wide Worship – 10 am  
(Live on PMRC YouTube)  
Shop & Support Orders Due

\* All Meetings/Services are on ZOOM.

\* ELL Classes continue throughout the week.

#### < Mission Statement >

*To thrive in faith through relationship with God,  
one another and the community.*

*To serve others as Jesus would.*

✚ Offerings at CUC last week: \$1,431.00

- Offerings required each week to cover expenses: \$3,466.00

#### ✚ ALL SERVICES AND MEETINGS ARE ONLINE

CUC continues to worship online on Zoom until September, but we will be holding outdoor services in the meantime (Dates TBD). Please check emails from the church on Fridays or check our website.

#### ♥ CARING FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY ♥

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers:

Vi K., Cheryl L. & Heath, Victor L.

#### Senior Residences:

Bethshan Gardens: Peter W.

Sunridge Gardens: Marjorie K.

Zion Park Manor: Lois H.

Elim Village: (The Emerald) Pauline I.

Residence at Clayton Heights: Marjorie S.

Fleetwood Villa: Joyce P.

Suncreek Village: Trevor F.

Magnolia Gardens: Bert P.



#### ✚ IN MEMORIAM – HILDA FRY

It is with sadness -- but also in the hope of our resurrection faith -- to share that **Hilda Fry**, a long-time part of our CUC community, passed away on June 2, 2021, at the age of 99. Hilda has been resident for the last many years at the Langley Lodge care community. Our hearts go out to all who have known and loved Hilda over her life's journey, including her daughter Mavis. We pray God's peace and hope to surround us all in this time.

#### ✚ GRADUATION SUNDAY – JUNE 6, 2021

This Sunday, June 6th, we are celebrating Graduation Sunday to honour two of our youth graduating from high school, Jill and Braedan! Jill and Braedan will be joining us, so we can give them a blessing and we can hear what their plans are for next year. If you have some well wishes you would like to be written in a card on your behalf, you can send them to Robyn at [robyn@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca](mailto:robyn@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca)

#### ✚ ZOOM UPDATE

Zoom has had a recent update, every time we start and stop recording a computer voice comes over and says "Recording in Process" and a notification may come up on your screen telling that if you stay, you are consenting to being recorded. **We want you to know that ONLY those who speak on screen are being recorded. If you're just watching from home, you will NOT be recorded.**

✝ **PREPARING FOR MUSIC SUNDAY – What are your favourite hymns?**

We're looking forward to CUC's 78th "Music Sunday" service coming up on the last Sunday of the month, June 27th. Pastor Matt and Dianne Nichols are working together to plan an engaging and inspiring worship experience for that day, with multiple selections from our "COVID Choir" (the 8 volunteers from our choir who pre-record the anthem selections you've been hearing on Sunday mornings). The hymns and songs that are sung by the whole congregation are just as much a part of the music life of our church, though, and so for this year's Music Sunday, we're planning some "hymn sing" portions of the service. Therefore, we'd like to know... What are some of your favourite hymn and/or congregationally-sung songs? To submit a favourite/request, simply go to <https://forms.gle/NZMQdFfPSAa6EdLZ8> and answer a few simple questions. Or, you can simply send an email to Matt ([matt@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca](mailto:matt@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca)), but \*be sure\* to include \*why\* the item you are submitting is a favourite!

✝ **ADD YOUR VOICE TO OUR WORSHIP: Be a Candle Lighter or Scripture Reader**

We're looking forward to the return of in-person worship indoors, in our church sanctuary, tentatively anticipating that could happen the Sunday after Labour Day (plans, as always, subject to change). In the meantime, as we continue through the summer with our livestreamed worship via Zoom (as well as a couple of outdoor services, dates T.B.A.), we'd like to add a few more of our congregation's voices into the worship leadership mix. Specifically for the summer, we're looking to expand the circle of people doing our "Lighting of the Christ Candle" at the opening of worship. It's an accessible role that can be done by people of all ages... children, youth, and adults! It simply requires you to have a candle you can light, the willingness to have your video camera on and spotlighted for others to see, and the ability to speak a line or two of text. If you'd like to be added to our circle of Candle Lighters for this summer, just send an email to Susie ([office@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca](mailto:office@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca)), and she'll add you to the list. Rev. Matt would also look forward to re-introducing having lay liturgists and/or scripture readers participating in the leading of worship, even on Zoom. He knows that we have people who have been readers for in-person worship, but also recognizes that people's comfort level with doing the role may be different on Zoom. Like with the Candle Lighter role, it does require you to be willing to have your video camera on and spotlighted for others to see. If you'd be interested in learning more about being a lay liturgist/reader for Zoom worship, please email Matt ([matt@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca](mailto:matt@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca)).

✝ **HEADS-UP: JUNE 13 PMRC REGION-WIDE WORSHIP AT 10:00 AM**

On June 13th, we'll join with our siblings in faith of The United Church throughout our regional council (most of BC and the Yukon) worshipping together at the conclusion of the regional council's 2021 annual general meeting. We will celebrate the new Commissionands in our regional council, experience the preaching of the renowned Denver-Colorado-based preacher and Lutheran pastor the Rev. Nadia Bolz-Weber, and connect with United Church friends near and far in song and prayer. The service will be livestreamed from Highlands United Church in North Vancouver at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7h5wMhfpRE> and **BEGINS AT 10 AM.**

✝ **THE THURSDAY GATHERING – THURSDAYS 4:00-4:45 PM ON ZOOM**

Come, join other Cloverdale United Church folk -- whatever your age, gender, cultural heritage, or household size -- for a simple opportunity to share in some fellowship and social connection time with one another. The Thursday Gathering will be open weekly on Zoom from 4:00 to 4:45 pm. Feel free to bring a snack and your favourite beverage! (Meeting ID: 853 7744 3117 / Passcode: 361 807)

✝ **TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

Join us for Bible Study with Rev. Matt every Tuesday morning at 10 am on Zoom. All are welcome! (Meeting ID: 209 243 632 / Passcode: 574 5813)

✝ **ZOOM OPERATOR NEEDED**

We currently have two people trained to take the tech position in Robyn's absence. If you have an interest in learning more about what it takes to run Zoom on Sunday mornings, please reach out to the office or to Robyn at [robyn@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca](mailto:robyn@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca).

✝ **SCHEDULE A GET-TO-KNOW-YOU WITH REV. MATT**

To schedule a GET-TO-KNOW-YOU with Rev. Matt, go to: <https://calendly.com/emerymat/jtb>. Pick a date and start-time, click "Confirm", answer the simple questions (your name, email, and where/how you want to meet), and then you'll be "booked" for a 45-minute get-together with Matt. Alternatively, call or email Susie at the church office (604-574-5813) to make a booking over the phone or email.

✝ **UNION DAY SERVICE OF CELEBRATION – JUNE 10, 4 PM**

Join Moderator Richard Bott and others on Thursday, June 10, at 4 PM for a special online worship service to celebrate the 96th anniversary of The United Church of Canada. This service will be livestreamed on UCC YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/user/unitedchurchofcanada>). Please bring water with you to participate in the service.



A mini-retreat for United Church Children and Friends ages 7-12, and their grown ups to enjoy sacred and playful time, together!

Register Here: <https://form.jotform.com/211385755318258>

This mini-retreat is a lovely way to carve out a bit of time for you and your kiddos (or grandkiddos!) and to be connected to the wider United Church community in our part of Canada. Lead by a team of Regional Staff and Volunteers, you can expect some singing, thoughtful wondering questions to explore, crafting and activities (you'll get a kit in the mail!), praying together, discovering where other United Church kids and families are from -- all around the theme *The Messy Middle: What happens in the chrysalis*

**Saturday June 19. 9:45 – 11:00 AM Online via Zoom.**

We'll email the link a few days before the event starts. Be sure to keep your eye on your email! To participate you need a computer or iPad connected to the internet.

## CAMP SPIRIT – SUMMER 2021

<https://www.campspirit.ca/summer-2021.html>

### ✝ CAMP SPIRIT HAS TWO LOCATIONS COMING UP NEAR US!

A day at Camp Spirit includes opportunities for children to continue their journey of wonder, exploring faith through listening and experiencing the sacred stories, enjoying times of creativity and science, moving to music, sharing a meal together and appreciating getting to know one another.

**United Churches of Langley**, Langley BC, July 19-23, \$125.

- Day Camps for 5-11 years, Leader in Training Program for 12-14 years

**Peninsula United Church**, Surrey BC. August 3-6, \$100 (four-day camp)

- Day Camps for 5-11 years, Leader in Training Program for 12-14 years

### ✝ CAMP SPIRIT IS HIRING

Applications are open for Camp Spirit summer day camp cook positions! Position requirements and details are hosted on the PMRC website.

<https://pacificmountain.ca/camp-spirit-cook/>

## *Blast from the Past* ✝ 31

### **Oatmeal Cookies** – Hilda Fry

1 cup shortening	1 tsp baking powder
1 cup white sugar	1 ½ tsp cinnamon
½ cup brown sugar	1 tsp allspice
1 egg	1 tsp nutmeg
2 Tbsp molasses	1 cup coconut (medium sweet)
1 tsp vanilla	1 ½ cups oatmeal
1 ½ cups flour	
1 tsp baking soda and a pinch of salt	

Mix all together, roll into balls and press down lightly. Bake in 300 F to 325 F oven. When cookies are too hard, place a piece of apple into cookie container for 2 days.