

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**National Indigenous Day of Prayer**  
**~ June 20, 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: Young Ho W.)*

Acknowledgement and Thanksgiving for the Land and Territory

\*Opening Hymn: ✱ VU 308 – “Many and Great, O God Are Your Works”

① **Many and great, O God, are your works, Maker of earth and sky.**

**Your hands have set the heavens with stars,  
your fingers spread the mountains and plains.  
Lo, at your word the waters were formed;  
deep seas obey your voice.**

② **Grant unto us communion with you, O star-abiding one.**

**Come unto us and dwell with us, with you are found the gifts of life.  
Bless us with life that has no end, eternal life with you.**

Prayer of the Day

***Many:* Creator God,  
from you every family in heaven and earth takes its name.  
You have rooted and grounded us in your covenant love  
and empowered us by your Spirit to speak the truth in love,  
walking in your way towards justice and wholeness.  
Help us and all your peoples, we pray,  
giving us strength and guidance  
to journey together in partnership  
and help one another grow into the full stature of Christ,  
who is our light and our life. Amen.**

The Passing of the Peace

*One:* The Peace of Christ be with you all. ***Many:* And also with you.**

***Korean:* Christo-ui pyoung-hwa-ga dahng-sin-gwa hahm-keh ha-shi-girul.**

그리스도의 평화가 당신과 함께 하시기를.

**We Hear the Word**

Scripture Reading in Korean: **1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 17:32-49** *(Reader: Young Ho W)*

Scripture Reading in English: **1<sup>st</sup> Samuel 17:32-49**

*David said to Saul, 'Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine.' Saul said to David, 'You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth.' But David said to Saul, 'Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God.' David said, 'The Lord, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine.' So Saul said to David, 'Go, and may the Lord be with you!' Saul clothed David with his armour; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. David strapped Saul's sword over the armour, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, 'I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them.' So David removed them. Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine. The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. The Philistine said to David, 'Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?' And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. The Philistine said to David, 'Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field.' But David said to the Philistine, 'You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This very day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this assembly may know that the Lord does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's and he will give you into our hand.' When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly towards the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.*

*(Word of God, Word of Life. / Thanks be to God.)*

A Message for All Ages

\*Hymn: ✱ VU 575 – “I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

**I'm gonna live\* so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime! (x2)**  
**(\* work, pray)**

## We Remember, We Lament, We Pray

Acknowledging the Pain: The News

Hymn: \* MV 78 – “God Weeps”, verse 1

- ① **God weeps at love withheld, at strength misused,  
at children’s innocence abused,  
and till we change the way we love, God weeps.**

Naming the Truth: The Legacy

Hymn: \* MV 78 – “God Weeps”, verse 2

- ② **God bleeds at anger’s fist, at trust betrayed,  
at women battered and afraid,  
and till we change the way we win, God bleeds.**

A Lament: “When Trouble Looms” (based on Psalm 10)

*One:* When trouble looms on every side, when conflict dominates the day, when life presents no easy path,

**Many:** Lord, why do you seem far away?

*One:* From every plan which harms the poor, from schemes to victimize the weak, from those who snare the innocent,

**Many:** Lord, your defense, your help we seek.

*One:* The greed which never has enough, the boasts of haughty insolence, the words that threaten, lie or curse—

**Many:** Lord, keep us from such arrogance.

*One:* Some think that you are blind to sin; some live as though you were not there; some treat your justice with contempt;

**Many:** Lord, surely you both see and care!

*One:* You call the wicked to account; you champion the victim’s cause; you silence mortal taunts and threats;

**Many:** Lord, heaven’s eternal throne is yours.

Hymn: \* MV 78 – “God Weeps”, verse 3

- ③ **God cries at hungry mouths, at running sores,  
at creatures dying without cause,  
and till we change the way we care, God cries.**

A Prayer for the Students of Kamloops Residential School

Hymn: \* MV 78 – “God Weeps”, verse 1

- ① **God weeps at love withheld, at strength misused,  
at children’s innocence abused,  
and till we change the way we love, God weeps.**

A Litany for the Healing and Restoration of our Church

*One:* Holy Creator, in whom all things in heaven and earth have their being,

**Many:** Have mercy on us.

*One:* Risen Christ, through whom the whole creation is reconciled to God,

**Many:** Have mercy on us.

*One:* Life-giving Spirit, whose love and truth fills the world and searches the depths of our lives,

**Many:** Have mercy on us.

*One:* Blessed Trinity, source of both unity and diversity,

**Many:** Have mercy on us.

*One:* From our failure to recognize and respect the revelation of your truth and love in the First Peoples of this land,

**Many:** Saviour, forgive and heal us.

*One:* From our participation in the systematic oppression of indigenous sovereignty, language, culture and spirituality,

**Many:** Saviour, forgive and heal us.

*One:* From our role in the Indian Residential Schools designed to eliminate the unique society, wisdom and beauty of the indigenous peoples of this land,

**Many:** Saviour, forgive and heal us.

*One:* From our complicit tolerance of the decimation of Indigenous family structures leaving children vulnerable to abuses of every kind,

**Many:** Saviour, forgive and heal us.

*One:* From our continued acceptance of unjust legal, educational, health and social structures that continue to oppress and destroy the lives of many indigenous people,

**Many:** Saviour, forgive and heal us.

*One:* O God, we pray for the gifts of your grace and your love which never gives up on us and is forever faithful. Inspire our minds with a vision of the reconciliation of your kingdom in this time and place.

**Many:** Hear us, O Christ.

*One:* Touch our eyes, that we may see the sacredness in all creation.

**Many:** Hear us, O Christ.

*One:* Touch our ears, that we may hear from every mouth of every peoples the hunger for hope and stories of refreshment.

**Many:** Hear us, O Christ.

*One:* Touch our lips, that we may speak of the beauty of every tongue and dialect proclaiming the wonderful works of God.

**Many:** Hear us, O Christ.

*One:* Touch our hearts, that we may discern your mission in which you call us to be immersed, particularly in partnership with the First Peoples of this land.

**Many:** Hear us, O Christ.

*One:* Touch our minds that we may witness to your Good News in our neighbourhoods, communities, and all parts of the world.

**Many: Hear us, O Christ.**

*One:* Touch our hands, that we may forever shun violence and embrace the work you give us to do.

**Many: Hear us, O Christ.**

*One:* Draw your Church together, O Lord, into one great company of disciples, together following our Lord Jesus Christ into every walk of life, together serving you in your mission in the world, and together witnessing to your love on every continent and island of your creation. We ask this in the name of the Risen Christ in whom we are one.

**Many: Amen.**

Hymn: \* MV 78 – “God Weeps”, verse 4

④ **God waits for stones to melt, for peace to seed,  
for hearts to hold each other’s need,  
and till we understand the Christ, God waits.**

To Journey Forward...

\*Hymn: \* VU 375 – “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

*(Chorus)* **Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
blow thro’ the wilderness calling and free,  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness,  
Wind, Wind on the sea.**

- ① **You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,  
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;  
and over the eons you called to each thing:  
wake from your slumbers and rise on your wings. (C)**
- ② **You swept thro’ the desert, you stung with the sand,  
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;  
and when they were blinded with their idols and lies,  
then you spoke thro’ your prophets to open their eyes. (C)**
- ③ **You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,  
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;  
and down in the city you called once again,  
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. (C)**
- ④ **You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,  
from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams,  
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes,  
with bold new decisions your people arise. (C)**

## We Respond

Offering

*OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “I Know in Whom I have Believed”* by Mary McDonald

Prayers of the People, *ending with* 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.**

\*Hymn: \* VU 218 – “We Praise You, O God”

- ① **We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;  
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.  
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;  
we bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.**
- ② **We worship you, God of our mothers and fathers,  
through trial and tempest, companion and guide.  
When perils o’ertake us, you will not forsake us,  
but faithful to your promise, you walk by our side.**
- ③ **With voices united our praises we offer  
and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.  
Our sins now confessing, we pray for your blessing,  
to you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!**

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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*In today’s rite of remembrance and lament:*

- Words shared in “Acknowledging the Pain: The News” and “Naming the Truth: The Legacy” include material sourced from news reports, from the “Truth and Reconciliation: Three Services” worship resource on the website of The United Church of Canada, from the “From Apology towards Reconciliation: 30th Anniversary of the United Church’s Apology to First Nations Peoples” litany on the website of The United Church of Canada, and from other sources.
- “When Trouble Looms”, paraphrased from Psalm 10 by Martin Leckebusch, ©2006 Kevin Mayhew Ltd.
- “A Prayer for the Students of Kamloops Residential School” by the Rt. Rev. Richard Bott, moderator of The United Church of Canada
- “A Litany for the Healing and Restoration of our Church” from the Anglican Diocese of Rupert’s Land, 2017

## 🌀 Announcements for June 20, 2021 🌀



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#### A WEEK AT A GLANCE:

**Sun, June 20:** Indigenous Day of Prayer /4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
– 10:30 am (on Zoom)

**Tues, June 22:** Bible Study – 10 am

**Thu, June 24:** Thursday Online Gathering – 4:00-4:45 pm

**Sat, June 26:** 2021 Book & Cookie Sale – Pick-up Day

**Sun, June 27:** 78<sup>th</sup> Music Sunday – 10:30 am (on Zoom)

\* All Meetings/Services are on ZOOM.

#### < 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: \$1,848.00

- 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 are holding a few outdoor services in the meantime (July 11, August 15). Please check emails from the church on Fridays or check our website.

#### ✚ THANK YOU FROM JILL S

“Hello, Cloverdale United Church, I wanted to express my gratitude to everyone who contributed to the Graduation Service and the Graduation box. I felt very blessed. – Jill”

#### ✚ COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS FROM JUNE 15, 2021

1. We will be undergoing a general refresh of many surfaces within the church. This will include cleaning the carpeting, stripping and re-waxing the floors, and applying a fresh coat of paint in some areas such as the office and washrooms.

- Recent challenges with the computer network and WiFi have led us to addressing better coverage throughout the facility. This will have a positive impact on streaming our zoom services, better connectivity for the staff as well as for any user groups.
- Council has approved moving forward with exploring, obtaining, and installing the technology we will need in the sanctuary to meet the needs of our congregation come September when we begin re-gathering for in-person worship services. We recognize that some parts of our church community will prefer to join our services online for any number of reasons (including health, mobility and accessibility, and family and schedule logistics). We will be sharing more extensive details about these plans soon.

*Approved minutes of the Council meetings will now be available to everyone via email. Call or email the church office if you would like to be added to the mailing list. The minutes, without the financial statement, will then be emailed to you.*

#### ✚ OUTDOOR WORSHIP – JULY 11 & AUGUST 15

We're looking forward to seeing each other face-to-face at our two Outdoor Worship Services this summer, scheduled for **July 11 & August 15**.

Like with the outdoor services we held last summer, we will be prepared with seating and tent canopies... and we will still livestream the service via Zoom, for any who wish to join worship online rather than in person.

In order to comply with Provincial Health Orders and, more importantly, uphold our responsibilities for protection and risk-mitigation during the COVID-19 pandemic, we must require all persons wishing to attend our Outdoor Sunday Morning Worship Service in-person to pre-register. This permits us to make necessary preparations for the anticipated number of attendees, and also allows for contract tracing should it be necessary.

In order to register to attend on July 11th, please click the button below or visit the form at <https://forms.gle/g5x3vxSHJ26PWuqm8> and answer the simple questions. (Registration for August 15 will open in late July.)

If you're having trouble with the form or if a person who does not have online access wishes to attend, anyone can please feel free to simply contact the church office by phone (604-574-5813) or email ([office@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca](mailto:office@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca)) in order to register. For each household, we'll need a name, telephone number, number of total attendees, and, if applicable, number of kids for Children's Church activities (Grade 8 and younger).

**Registration for July 11th service closes on Friday, July 2nd!**

### ✝ **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)).

### ✝ **UPDATE ON ELL – END OF SPRING TERM**

Even in the middle of pandemic, we did it. Thank God we finished the class well for 10 weeks. Big hand to the students and volunteers who worked hard in the class. Have a nice summer and see you again "in-person" in September. Many thanks to our volunteers- Rev. Louise, Terry W, Bruce F, Christine C, Joyce W, Brian T, Bev S, Sharlene J and Glenn R.

**Up Coming!** In July, ELL summer classes will be held every Tuesday until 9:30-11:00 (30). Only 4 sessions! In addition, there will be a one-time meeting for membership training. Contact Chohee ([chohee@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca](mailto:chohee@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca)) for details!

### ✝ **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)

### ✝ **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.

## **CAMP SPIRIT – SUMMER 2021**

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

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