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*Altar area in the Church of the Rotunda of St. George in Thessaloniki, Greece; built AD 306
Photograph by David Smith (@dtv1d), 2008*

The 8th Sunday after Pentecost **A Service of the Word**

18 July 2021 • 10:30 AM

Welcome to Cloverdale United Church! As we say at nearly every worship service, “No matter who you are, or where you are on life’s journey God welcomes you... and so do we.” We take these words seriously. We strive to be a community as diverse and hospitable as God’s kingdom. We don’t all look or act alike; God knows we don’t all think alike. We don’t all read the Bible the same way. We come from different religious backgrounds, we bring different questions, and we carry different burdens. But every Sunday, we gather and worship God together as one.

In this lovely old church, we do Sunday morning in some fairly traditional ways. We study the teachings and the actions of Jesus. We gather around the waters of grace and the feast table of Christ, just as Christians have for nearly two thousand years. Some of the songs we sing—although certainly not all of them—are ones our grandparents might also have sung in their day. And yet, amidst these rituals and rites that root us in a deep heritage, we wrestle in our preaching and our prayers with the challenges of the modern world and we listen for God’s Spirit still speaking into our lives today. We hope your heart will hear something personal and relevant this morning—a word of comfort, a spur to action, a call to a deeper relationship with God.

Children are welcome at all services! It is important for families to worship together. Don’t feel your child must be absolutely quiet or still, for we are glad to have children—and all their wiggles, giggles, and squiggles—as part of our community and worship life! After all... as an old saying goes, “faith is caught, not taught!”

The Sacrament of Holy Communion: All are welcome, including children, to share in the feast at Christ’s table. We celebrate Communion during the 10:30 am Sunday worship service on the first Sunday of each month, as well as on certain other holy days.

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism: We gladly offer the sign and seal of God’s grace in the waters of baptism, both to children and adults of any age. For more information, contact the minister.

The language of worship is rich and diverse, and yet always inadequate to express the fullness of the divine. In our worship life, we strive to use inclusive language for humanity and expansive imagery for the divine, while respecting the poetry and imagery of texts handed down to us from the ages. Honouring our diversity, in those places where we speak or sing together, worshippers may use language with which they are comfortable or familiar.

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“The great Easter truth is not that we are to live newly after death, but that we are to be new here and now by the power of the resurrection.”

— Phillips Brooks

As you are able, whether in body or in spirit, please rise for those parts marked with an asterisk “”*

*Please remember to **silence cell phones** and other devices, and be mindful of those who wish to use the prelude as a time of prayer, meditation, and preparation for worship.*

GATHERING 모인다

The Spirit gathers us in unity on the first day, the day of Christ's resurrection

Prelude 전주곡

Dianne Nichols, accompanist

Greeting and Welcome 인사

The Rev. Gabrielle Suedfeld

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 그리스도의 촛불의 조명

Yegeun Joh

Call to Worship 예배로 부름

One: Come and celebrate the steadfast love of the Lord.
Proclaim God's faithfulness to all generations.

Many: **For God has established a covenant with the house of David and called all generations to follow and serve with gladness. We come to worship together and praise God with joy.**

*** Hymn** 찬송 — “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Voices United #220

- ① Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, who rules all creation;
O my soul, praise him, at all times your health and salvation.
Come, all who hear: brothers and sisters draw near,
joining in glad adoration.
- ② Praise to the Lord, above all things so mightily reigning,
keeping us safe at his side, and so gently sustaining.
Have you not seen how all you needed has been
met by God's gracious ordaining?
- ③ Praise to the Lord who will prosper our work and defend us;
surely his goodness and mercy will daily attend us:
ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
who out of love will befriend us.

- ④ Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from God's people again:
gladly with praise we adore him.

*** Prayer of the Day** 오늘의 기도

Many: Where shall we find you, O God?

We shall find you in the Heavens, shining among the stars.

We shall find you dancing through the mountains of our land.

We shall find you in the clear running rivers

and in the depths of the oceans.

We shall find you in the forest among the ancient cedars.

We shall find you in our sacred buildings

and in our homes as we gather in praise.

We shall find you in our hearts,

our acts of justice and compassionate care.

For you are always with us

and we are blessed by your promise and your love. Amen.

*** The Peace** 평화의 인사

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

Many: And also with you.

Ch ri s to ui pyounghwaga dahngsingwa hahmkeh hashi gi rul

Korean: 그리스도의 평 화가 당 신과 함 께 하시기를.

SHARING THE PEACE (in breakout groups)

Reflect: What is one joy and challenge in your life right now?

News from Our Life Together 환영사와 소식

WORD 말씀

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song

Gathering Time 어린이 설교

*** Hymn** 찬송 — “Teach Me, God, to Wonder” *Voices United #299, vss. 1 & 4*

① Teach me, God, to wonder, teach me, God, to see;

let your world of beauty capture me.

Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,

life be celebrated, joy you give.

④ Teach me, God, to know you, hear you when you speak,

see you in my neighbour when we meet.

Praise to you be given, love for you be lived,

life be celebrated, joy you give.

Scripture Reading 성서봉독 — 2nd Samuel 7:1-14a

Instead of David building a house (temple) for God, God promises to establish David's house (dynasty) forever. Centuries later, after the Babylonian exile, no king sat on the throne. Even then, however, the people of Israel remembered this promise and continued to hope for a king, the messiah, God's anointed.

IN KOREAN

Taewon Joh

IN ENGLISH

after the reading:

One: Word of God, Word of Life.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon 설교 — “God’s House is Under Construction”

a time of quiet follows the sermon

*** Hymn** 찬송 — “Let us Build a House (All Are Welcome)” *More Voices #1*

- ① Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
- ② Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God’s children dare to seek to dream God’s reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God’s grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
- ③ Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat;
a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
- ④ Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they’ve known.
Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God’s face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
- ⑤ Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace;
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

RESPONSE 응전

We begin our lives of responding to the gospel, in prayer and offering

Responding with our Gifts 에 물바침



Give online! Scan the QR Code → to be taken to online giving.

During the offertory, those participating via Zoom are welcome to submit prayer petitions (joys and concerns) via the Chat feature.

OFFERTORY MUSIC — “Creation Praise” by Patricia Mock & Stewart Harris

Let all creation sing jubilation, Let ev'ry nation praise the Lord
Canyons are ringing, fountains are springing, People are singing: Praise the Lord
Sing alleluia, bring alleluia, This is the day the Lord has made
Spirits are soaring, oceans are roaring. Come wake the morning. Praise the Lord
Birds lift your voices, all life make noises, Earth now rejoices. Praise the Lord.
Waters are splashing, cymbals are crashing, Worship with passion. Praise the Lord.
Sing alleluia, bring alleluia! This is the day the Lord has made.
Hear the thanksgiving, praise is beginning. Ev'rything living, praise the Lord.
All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea.
Singing bird and flowing fountain, Call us to rejoice in Thee,
Rejoice in Thee!
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Spirits are soaring, oceans are roaring, Come wake the morning, Praise the Lord!
Come Praise the Lord!

Prayers of the People, *ending with* The Lord's Prayer 회중의 기도, 주기도문

Many: 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.**

SENDING 파송예전

God blesses us and sends us forth in mission for the world

* Hymn 찬송 — “May the God of Hope Go with Us”

Voices United #424

① May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Refrain: Praying, let us work for peace,
singing, share our joy with all,
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.

② May the God of healing free the earth from fear,
freeing us for peace, both treasured and pursued.
May the God of love keep our commitment clear
to a world restored, to human life renewed. *REFRAIN.*

*** Charge and Benediction** 위탁과 축복

*** Sending Song** 응전— “When You Walk”

by Linnea Good

When you walk from here, when you walk from here,
walk with jus - tice, walk with mer - cy,
and with God's hum - ble care.

fine

*** Postlude** 후주 음악

Life at Cloverdale United Church

Worship

Regathering – Resuming in-person worship services: We have recently re-evaluated plans and are tentatively planning toward the resumption of in-person worship services on **Sunday, August 15th**, a full four weeks earlier than originally announced. (*These plans still could get delayed if the July 1 easing of restrictions results in a new spike of COVID infections.*) Keep watch for further updates and need-to-know information, but in the meantime, mark your calendars: August 15th for our first in-person worship service indoors in 2021! (*Please note, this means we will not be having the 2nd previously announced outdoor service, as this same date will be our first regathered service inside.*)



Many thanks to today's ...

hymn singers: (names unavailable at press time)

digital ushers: Doug Sowerby and Jamie Brown

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Learn

Tuesday Morning Bible Study: The Tuesday Morning Bible Study will be on recess for the month of July. We look forward to resuming on August 5th; look for information closer to-date.

Camp Spirit—Summer 2021: 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. <https://www.campspirit.ca/summer-2021.html> Upcoming Camp Spirit opportunities in the close vicinity include:

— 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*

Check out the website for additional dates and locations throughout B.C.

Meet

The Thursday Gathering: Join with Rev. Matt and others from around CUC for a simple time of socializing and fellowship online via Zoom, Thursday afternoons from 4:00 to 4:45 pm. Meeting ID: 853 7744 3117. Passcode: 361 807.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85377443117?pwd=L1pMMlRvQ3ZneEtDa1ZrNktCYlJzdz09>

CUC Congregational Retreat @ Naramata Centre: *Sunday, August 22 through Thursday, August 26.* We're looking forward to our 3rd annual CUC congregational retreat at the Okanagan Valley's Naramata Centre. With travel restrictions opened up, the retreat is *on*, and *you* can still sign up to participate! The retreat includes spiritual practices program time for adults and activity time for kids each

morning, Monday through Thursday; lots of free time in the afternoons for exploring the town, beaches, hikes, wineries and more that this beautiful part of the Okanagan has to offer; and some shared activities and worship in the evenings.

Lodging can be booked for either outdoor camping or indoor cabins and rooms. Book lodging directly with the Naramata Centre → and then let Chohee Won, intercultural ministry coordinator, know that you're coming by email:

chohee@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca. For more information about what to expect, reach out to Bev Siggs or Christine Connal (or to Chohee and Rev. Matt, but this year will be their first times, as well!)



[naramatacentre
society.org/](https://naramatacentre.society.org/)

Serve

Digital Ushers: We're always on the lookout for additions to our cohort of "digital ushers," the volunteers who operate our online streaming and PowerPoint projection systems for worship. If you're interested in learning more, contact Rev. Matt (604-574-5813 or matt@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca).

Help us prepare for re-gathering and prepare for the future... Support our sanctuary technology project: As shared in the Summer 2021 issue of *Cloverleaves*, we are taking bold steps this summer with a technology installation in our sanctuary to enable us to do hybrid ministry (allowing our community to gather via both in-person and online/livestreamed ways, simultaneously), and to do it *well*. This project is exciting... and requires significant financial resources—likely up to \$20,000. We know that a project like this—embodying our commitment to extravagant inclusivity, preparing ourselves with foresight for innovative possibilities in ministry for the future—excites people all around our church. Perhaps *you* want to respond, from your excitement and support, with your own generosity toward making this project reality. We welcome and invite your contributions toward this project! If you'd like to support this project, you can forward a contribution to the church, clearly marked "Sanctuary Tech". Send in your contribution to the church office, or donate online (choose option #4—"Other"—under the Fund menu, and put "Sanctuary Tech" into the message field.) Thank you for your passion, boldness, and generosity!



www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/47707

Other news and notes

Office Hours: Beginning this week, Tuesday, July 20th, CUC's office hours will be Tuesdays – Fridays, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, year-round.

Attitudes of Gratitude – This week's "Thank You" shout-outs:

- Thanks to Rev. Gabrielle Suedfeld for joining us once again and leading us this morning as we worship God together.
- *Many, many* thanks to Dianne Nichols for all the time, care, passion, and work she has put in over the last 9+ months as worship accompanist and singer-wrangler! Today will be Dianne's last week at our piano for a little bit, as we hear other accompanists the next two Sundays and welcome our new Director of Music Ministries, Dr. Emma Rui-Xuan Shi, on Sun., August 8th.

From the Wider Church



Holy Listening – Young Adult Retreat: September 17 – 19, 2021, in Maple Ridge BC. Travel near or far, *finally*, for sacred holy space, to be together, to rest, renew, re-energize in community with other United Church folx and friends ages 18 to 35 from around BC, Southern Alberta, & Yukon. The retreat will be held at Loon

Lake Resort & Lodge on the unceded territory of the q̓íçəy̓ people (Maple Ridge BC), and the cost is \$150 (financial support is available; the event fee will *not* be a barrier to participation). Register online →



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Youth Trek: *October 22 – 24, 2021, in Kamloops BC.* 2 night in-person retreat for United Church Youth ages 12-17, and their leaders. We're now in a COVID-vaxed world, and things have changed so much since we were last gathered in person. We've changed as individuals and as a church—but we're still God's people and we're called to be in community together. This October, meet up and wonder "WHAT NOW"! We'll explore how things are different and how things are the same. We'll ask, what does it mean to be youth in the church? And how can we stay true to justice, action, and compassion in our lives? This Youth Trek is like a rite of passage—a new way of being together again, a once-in-a-lifetime experience that few will forget. We hope you'll come on this journey too! *Registration coming soon... in the meantime, save the dates!*

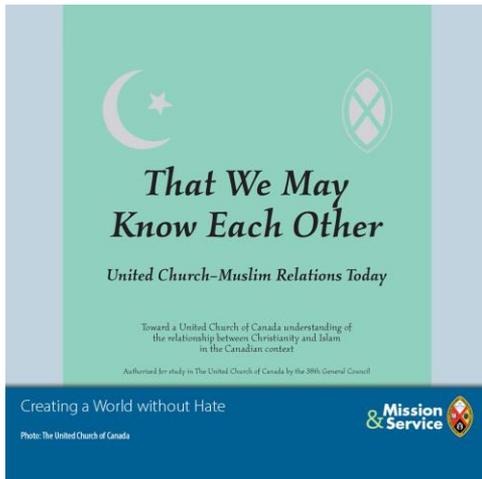


Creating a World without Hate: On June 6, not far from the oldest mosque in London, Ontario, a family of five out for a walk were deliberately run over by a truck. Three adults and one teenager were killed. A nine-year-old boy is the sole survivor. Police say the family was targeted because they are Muslim.

In a statement, The United Church of Canada condemned the horrific and hate-filled attack.

“Many people in the United Church are weeping alongside the extended families and friends of the family members who were killed and injured in this premeditated hate crime and are grieving the innocent lives lost in this abhorrent attack,” the statement reads, acknowledging the fearfulness that some people in the Muslim community feel as a result.

Did you know that 322 anti-Muslim hate crimes were reported in Canada between 2013 and 2019? And that’s just the crimes we know about.



Prejudice runs deep. A 2017 study published by the Angus Reid Institute states that almost half of all Canadians have an unfavourable view of Islam, a perception evident in attitudes toward religious clothing. While 88 percent of Canadians support a nun wearing a habit, just 32 percent approve of a person wearing the niqab.

Our United Church is deeply committed to working with Muslims and others for peace and justice. That’s why your Mission & Service gifts help us as a church to develop statements and educational resources to combat prejudice and discrimination.

In 2006, for example, the church released the statement “That We May Know Each Other: United Church-Muslim Relations Today.” It was preceded by an important study document with the same name designed to help church communities deepen loving relationships with our faith cousins. Similar study

guides have been created to foster interfaith relationships, including Jewish and Hindu faiths (respectively, “Bearing Faithful Witness” and “Honouring the Divine in Each Other”).

Education begins with us. Your Mission & Service gifts help raise awareness and understanding that in turn contributes to a more peaceful world. One where no one is harmed by the hatred of another. Where no more children have to grow up without their family.

In the words of our current Moderator Richard Bott, “Let us use all that we have and all that we are to stand in the face of the evil that would allow and cause this crime of hatred. Even as one man has been arrested for his actions, let us uncover and work against the beliefs, the worldview, the racism and the hatred that supported his choice.”

Amen.

Your gifts through Mission & Service help raise awareness and understanding that in turn contributes to a more peaceful world. Thank you.

We are a welcoming, historic, and progressive Christian community, reaching out from the historic heart of Surrey at Cloverdale since 1875. We seek to thrive in faith through relationship with God, one another, and the community.... to serve others as Jesus would.

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