



THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA

CLOVERDALE
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"Potluck Mural," David Fichter, 1994

at the intersection of Bishop Allen Drive and Norfolk Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts

The 9th Sunday after Pentecost
A Service of the Word

July 25, 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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“A mother and small child stood in line for communion; the child was too young for communion so just trailed up by the hand. And then looked up at the minister with a big open mouth. And the gospel came alive with the need of the people for food, and mouths open for the bread of life...”

“Only in the face of the child was the mouth so open, but aren’t we all gasping for the bread of life?”

— Donal Neary SJ

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

Christine Connal, accompanist

Greeting and Welcome 인사

The Rev. Matthew Emery

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

Ayoon Kim

Call to Worship 예배로 부름

adapted from Psalm 145

One: God is near to all who call,

Many: **to all who call in truth.**

One: The eyes of all look to God,

Many: **and God gives them their food in due season.**

One: God opens a gracious hand,

Many: **satisfying the desire of every living thing.**

One: Our mouths will speak the praise of the Lord,

Many: **and all flesh will bless God’s holy name forever and ever.**

*** Hymn 찬송** — “I Love to Tell the Story”

Voices United #343

① I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know ’tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

Refrain: I love to tell the story, ’twill be my theme in glory,
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

- ② I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems
than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God's own holy Word. *REFRAIN.*
- ③ I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. *REFRAIN.*

*** Prayer of the Day** 오늘의 기도

Many: God of true abundance,
in whom nothing is lost and all are fed:
liberate us from meagre rations
of scarce and grudging love for which we must compete;
show us another kingdom
which stills our all-consuming fear
and fills us with new hope;
through Jesus Christ, the peace of creation. Amen.

*** The Peace** 평화의 인사

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

Many: And also with you.

Korean: 그리스도의 평화가 당신과 함께 하시기를.
Ch ri s to ui pyounghwaga dahngsingwa hahmkeh hashi gi rul

SHARING THE PEACE (in breakout groups)

Reflect: When was a time in your life when you felt truly fed?

News from Our Life Together 환영사와 소식

WORD 말씀

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

First Reading 성서봉독 — 2 Kings 4:42-44

Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.

after the reading:

One: Word of God, Word of Life.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading 성서봉독 — John 6:1-21

In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.

IN KOREAN

Hwanhee Kim

IN ENGLISH

after the reading:

One: Word of God, Word of Life.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Sermon 설교 — "A Fantastic Feast"

a time of quiet follows the sermon

* Hymn 찬송 — "All Who Hunger"

Voices United #460

- ① All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.
- ② All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.
- ③ All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table live their lives in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

RESPONSE 응전

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

Responding with our Gifts 예물바침

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 — "Seven is Sufficient" by Kaan & Klusmeier

For the crowd of thousands, sitting on the ground

Seven is sufficient, seven will go round

Chorus: Seven is sufficient, fish and loaves of bread

Jesus, for our hunger, gives us life instead

Jesus makes his offer: fish and bread as food

Make us truly thankful, make our living good. *CHORUS.*

If we give to Jesus, bread to bless and break

Five and two will feed us, seven days a week *CHORUS.*

What we give to Jesus, what with man we share
Will at last be gathered, over and to spare. *CHORUS.*

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 — “Jesus Loves Me”

Voices United #365

① Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong, in his love we shall be strong.

Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

② Jesus loves me, this I know, as he loved so long ago,
taking children on his knee, saying, “Let them come to me.” *REFRAIN.*

③ Jesus loves me still today, walking with me on my way,
wanting as a friend to give light and love to all who live. *REFRAIN.*

* **Charge and Benediction** 위탁과 축복

* **Sending Song** 응전— *refrain from* “Jesus Loves Me”

Voices United #365

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

* **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.)

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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 3rd; 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:

— *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/](http://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



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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!

Other news and notes

Office Hours: Beginning this week, 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:

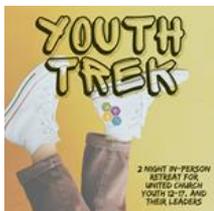
- Thanks to the volunteers who have been helping paint the lower-level washroom and the Lower Hall this week, especially Bob & Marguerite Cryer.
- Continued thanks to Bruce Forbes for coordinating many facilities refresh projects this summer!
- Thanks to CUC congregants who, on the weekend of our outdoor service on July 11th, already contributed \$2,030 toward the Sanctuary technology project.
- Thanks to all who contributed towards \$2,463.25 in offerings received for the week of Sunday, July 11th.

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 q̓ic̓əy̓ 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



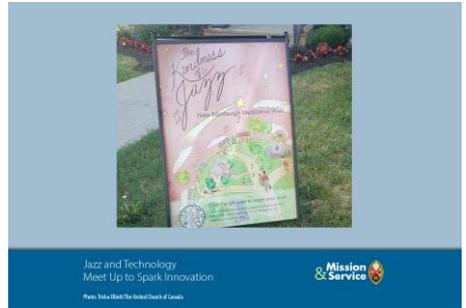
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Youth Trek: October 22 – 24, 2021, in Kamloops BC. 2 night in-person retreat for United Church Youth ages 12-17, and their leaders. We're now in a COVID-vaxed world, and things have changed so much since we were last gathered in person. We've changed 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!

We know that the Spirit speaks through music, and we are exploring new ways to listen: The meditative walk in the neighbourhood around MacKay United Church located in the nation’s capital kicks off with a quote from 13th-century Persian poet Rumi: “There are many roads leading to God. I’ve chosen that of music and dance.”

There is no live guide speaking the words or playing the music streaming through earphones. Instead, the church’s minister Peter Woods, also a jazz musician, uses SonicMaps, a geolocated listening platform to facilitate the walk. Participants tune in by clicking a link or scanning a QR code. Turning a corner from one zone in the neighbourhood to the next, the music and message change.



“As the pandemic unfolded, we quickly realized that concerts and other typical ways of sharing music and spirituality through jazz wasn’t going to happen. We transitioned our weekly Kindness of Jazz music and meditation evenings online and embraced other technologies to minister to people safely,” says Woods.

In a traumatized community of artists, these initiatives sparked new relationships. Guest co-hosts and musicians offered leadership from as far away as Ireland, South Korea, and San Salvador.

“I love how vital the connections have become amongst artists, across tech platforms and with spiritually resonant friends. Music, in this context, is the soundtrack to sacred moments and revelations. I feel great joy to witness this work unfolding. Improvised music is so often in service of the sacred, but now more than ever,” says Woods.

Sonic walks and online music collaborations are the tip of the creative iceberg. The last few years have been full. EvenSong, the band Woods plays with, released its album *Songs from the Bridge* in 2019. The church hosted a bustling night market serving up local food and showcasing the work of artisans beneath a moody cover of white lights and floating jazz. Most recently, Woods released a meditative video called *Arise, My Love* featuring original music coupled with photographs taken by the United Church’s General Secretary Michael Blair.

Many of Woods’ most innovative projects have been supported through the United Church Foundation and Mission & Service Embracing the Spirit grants administered by EDGE Network.

“We know that the Spirit speaks through music, and we are exploring new ways to listen,” says Woods. “In the chaos of this time, there have been many blessings and much creativity. That positive energy is the way forward. We are learning and sharing what we learn with the rest of the church.”

By supporting learning, creativity, and innovation, your gifts help the whole church discern a path for the future. Thank you.

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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