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"Cross and Rising Sun"
21st century mural in Livingstonia, Malawi

The 7th Sunday of Easter 부활절 일곱째 주일
A Service of the Word


21 May 2023 • 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 done for nearly two thousand years. Some of the songs we sing (certainly not *all* of them, though) are ones our grandparents might also have sung in their day. And yet, amidst rituals and rites rooting us in a deep heritage, we wrestle 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.

After the service, please stick around. Have a cup of coffee or a bite to eat with us. Introduce yourself to other worshippers or our pastor. There are plenty of opportunities here to feed your soul and expand your spirit. Try one out. You never know—you just might be home!

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!”

 **Washrooms** can be found just outside the sanctuary through the door at the front right of the space (the northeast corner of the room).

 Thank you for **silencing cell phones** and other devices, and for refraining from flash photography.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion: *All* are welcome, *including* children, to share in the feast at Christ’s table. We usually celebrate Communion 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, 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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Who is like you, my Lord Jesus Christ,
my sweet love?
You are boundless in might and majesty,
and yet you care for the humble.
Who can compare with you in power, Lord?
Yet you choose the weak of the world.
Who can be as gracious as you are?
You laid the foundations of heaven and earth,
and their thrones and powers worship you,
and yet you seek your pleasure with human beings.

— Gertrude the Great (1256 – 1302), medieval German nun and mystic

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 모임

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

Prelude 전주

Emma Rui-Xuan Shi

Greeting 인사

The Rev. Matthew Emery

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

***Many:* Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

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.**

Call to Worship 예배로 부름

One: We may not know the time or the place,

***Many:* but we know that God is restoring the world.**

One: We may not see the risen Christ before us,

***Many:* but we know his spirit rests on us.**

One: We may not know what God is doing next,

***Many:* but we come together in faith, excited to discover it!**



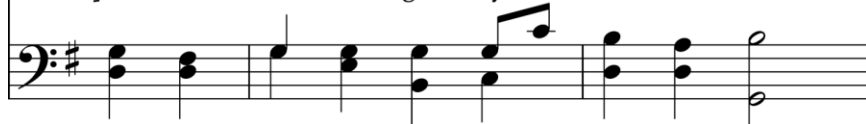
1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 From the e - vils that sur - round us and as - sail the
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Set our feet on loft - y plac - es; gird our lives that
 5 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour your power; crown your an - cient church -'s
 Sav - iour's ways, from the fears that long have
 your con - trol. Shame our wan - ton self - ish
 they may be ar - moured with all Christ - like
 we de - plore; let the gift of your sal -



sto - ry; bring its bud to glo - rious flower.
 bound us— free our hearts for faith and praise.
 glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.
 grac - es, in the fight to set all free.
 _va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.



Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
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 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour,
 for the liv - ing of these days,
 let we miss your king-dom's goal,
 that we fail not them nor thee,
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore,

for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
 that we fail not them nor thee.
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

* Prayer of the Day 오늘의 기도

One: Let us pray.

Many: O God, your Son, Jesus,
prayed for his disciples
and sent them into the world
to proclaim the coming
of your kingdom.

By your Holy Spirit,
hold the church in unity,
and keep it faithful to your Word,
so that, breaking bread together,
we may be one with Christ
in faith and love and service,
now and forever. Amen.

하나님, 성자 예수께서는
제자들을 위해 기도하시고,
그들을 세상에 보내시어 하나님
나라의 가까움을 선포하게
하셨습니다. 하나님, 성령으로
교회가 하나되게 하시고 하나님
말씀에 신실하게 하시어, 우리가
떡을 떼는 가운데 이제와
영원까지 믿음과 사랑과
섬김으로 그리스도와 하나되게
하소서. 아멘.

* The Peace 평화의 인사

One: 그리스도의 평화가 당신과 함께 하시기를.
The peace of Christ be with you all.

Many: And also with you.

All are invited to share signs of Christ's peace with those around them.

Words of Welcome & News from Our Life Together 교회소식

WORD 말씀

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

Anthem — “A Blessing of Peace” by Martin & Angerman

The Choir

The peace which passeth all understanding keep your hearts and keep your minds.
The peace which passeth all understanding, all understanding, keep your lives
through Jesus, your Lord. *Dona nobis pacem*

The Early Word 어린이 설교

Robyn Garland

ending with The Lord's Prayer 회중기도와 주기도

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,

하늘에 계신 우리 아버지여,
이름이 거룩히 여김을
받으시옵며, 나라이 임하옵시며,
뜻이 하늘에서 이룬 것같이
땅에서도 이루어지이다. 오늘날
우리에게 일용할 양식을
주옵시고, 우리가 우리에게 죄
지은 자를 사하여 준 것같이 우리
죄를 사하여 주옵시고, 우리를
시험에 들게 하지 마옵시고,
다만 악에서 구하옵소서. 대개

for ever and ever. Amen.

나라와 권세와 영광이 아버지께
영원히 있사옵나이다. 아멘.

* **RESPONSE** 찬송 — “Alleluia!”

CELTIC ALLELUIA



First Reading 성경봉독 — 1st Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

pew bibles NT p. 235

Our faith in Christ does not make us immune from the scorn of others. Nevertheless, we are to resist the designs of evil when we experience disparagement from others because we trust God’s grace will strengthen and guide us.

after the reading:

One: Word of God, Word of Life.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading 성경봉독 — Acts 1:6-14

pew bibles NT p. 118

Today’s reading is part of the introduction to the narrative of the outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost. These verses tell of the risen Lord’s conversation with his disciples on the eve of his ascension, in which he promises that they will receive the power of the Holy Spirit.

IN ENGLISH

after the reading:

One: Word of God, Word of Life.

Many: Thanks be to God.

IN KOREAN

after the reading:

One: 아멘 (Amen).

Many: 아멘 (Amen).

* **RESPONSE** 찬송 — “Alleluia!” (CELTIC ALLELUIA)

see music above

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Sermon 설교 — “Friends in High Places”

a time of quiet follows the sermon

* **Hymn** 찬송 — “He Came Singing Love”

Voices United #359

RESPONSE 응답

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

* Affirmation of Faith: A New Creed 신앙의 고백: 우리 신소

We are not alone,
we live in God's world.

우리는 홀로가 아닙니다.
하나님의 세계에서 삽니다.

We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.

우리는 하나님을 믿습니다.
만물을 창조하셨고,
지금도 창조하시며,
화해시키고 새롭게 하기 위하여,
말씀이 몸을 이룬 예수님 안에 오셨으며,
우리과 남들 안에서 성령으로
역사 하십니다.

We trust in God.

우리는 하나님을 신뢰합니다.

We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus,
crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

우리는 교회를 이루라고 부름받았습니다.
하나님의 임재를 찬양하고,
우주 만물을 존중하며 살고,
남들을 사랑하며 섬기고,
정의를 추구하며 악에 항거하고,
십자가형을 당하시고 살아나셔서,
우리의 심판자와 희망이 되신
예수님을 선포하라고 부름받았습니다.

In life, in death,
in life beyond death,
God is with us.

삶에서, 죽음에서,
죽음을 넘는 삶에서 하나님이 우리와
함께 하십니다.

We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

우리는 홀로가 아닙니다.
하나님께 감사드립니다.

Responding with our Gifts 봉헌

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Emma Rui-Xuan Shi

Many ways to give! We welcome your offering in the way that works for you: by cash or cheque in the offering plates, through automatic gifts via Pre-Authorized Remittance (contact the office to enroll), by eTransfer from your bank (to cloverdalepastoralcharge@gmail.com), or by credit card via CanadaHelps.org (service fees apply). Want to give now but don't have cash or cheque? Scan the QR Code → to be taken to CanadaHelps



Prayer Requests — As the morning offering is collected:

- in-person worshippers can share prayer petitions (thanksgivings and intercessions, joys and concerns) on the **purple prayer request cards** found in the pew racks and place them the offering plates as they are passed.
- live-via-Zoom online worshippers are welcome to submit prayer petitions (thanksgivings and intercessions, joys and concerns) in the Zoom “chat” feature.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures
here be - low: Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Je - sus Christ whose
pow'r up - lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it!
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

* **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** 감사기도

Many: God of heaven and earth,
we celebrate the Christ who came to live as one of us.
We celebrate the Christ who would stop at nothing—
not even death—
to proclaim your love for all people.
We celebrate the Christ who rose from death
to show that there is no end to your love.
And we celebrate the Christ who, in ascending to you,
drafted us to continue his work.
Accept what we offer this day, we pray,
as the testament to our gratitude
and as the pledge of our fidelity to that call of Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

SENDING 파송

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

* **Hymn** 찬송 — “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

Voices United #157

*** Charge and Benediction** 파송과 축도

One: ... Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Many: **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*** RESPONSE** 찬송 — refrain from “Thine Is the Glory”

Voices United #173

Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing Son:
end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

*** Postlude** 후주

Be Our Guest! Come on down to the Lower Hall for coffee or tea or another beverage, a bite to eat, and a chat! Access to the Lower Hall is down the stairs outside the door at the front right of the sanctuary or via the elevator at the front left of the sanctuary. Follow the crowds on down, or ask an usher to guide you... We look forward to seeing you!

Life at Cloverdale United Church

Worship

Next Sunday: Pentecost! Be sure to take part in worship here at CUC next Sunday, May 28th, as we celebrate God's pouring out of the Holy Spirit on Jesus' first followers, forming them into the beginnings of the Church and empowering them to spread the good news. A few "special" things will be happening as a part of worship:

- We'll be **welcoming 6 people as the newest full members** of our congregation (although in most of their cases, they've been active parts of our Community of Faith for quite some time)
- We'll be **saying farewell to Robyn Garland**, our Children & Youth Leader,

as she departs from us in advance of welcoming her next child into the world.

With all the “special” happenings for the day, especially the farewell for Robyn, we are planning an “all ages” service, with some creative forms of worship included, rather than having a separate Children’s Church experience.

Coming up in Worship at CUC: We have several exciting and “special” happenings planned in our worship life here at Cloverdale United Church in the coming weeks. These include:

- **June 4:** On June 4th, we will *not* be having our own worship service here at the CUC building; rather, CUCers are invited and encouraged to come on over to Abbotsford for the Celebration of Ministry worship service of the Pacific Mountain Regional Council of The United Church, the conclusion of the regional council's 2023 annual meeting. Among other things, this is the worship service where new members of the Order of Ministry of our denomination are ordained or commissioned each year. The Rev. Beth Heyward, who is soon ending her tenure as lead minister at Vancouver's Canadian Memorial United Church, will be preaching. As the date gets closer, we'll try to help facilitate carpooling. For those unable to join us in Abbotsford, we'll be making the livestream of that service available through CUC's online sites. (*Please note, this service begins at 10:00 am, rather than our usual 10:30.*)
- **June 11:** Our own United Church Women unit leads us in worship for their annual “Thank-offering” service.
- **June 25:** A landmark Music Sunday... We worship God, to whom all creation sings its praises, through CUC's 80th annual Music Sunday service.

Many thanks to today's ...

readers: Margaret Rose, Jiyeong park

ushers/greeters: Maureen Franklin, Sharon McBain

digital ushers: Wookjong Lee, Dan Ariss

fellowship time hosts: Donna Lynch, Kim Forbes



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Learn

Tuesday Morning Bible Study now in hybrid format: Tuesdays, 10:30 am, in-person in the Lounge and online via Zoom. Lasting around one hour or so, at the Tuesday Morning Bible Study, we dig in to the bible reading(s) featured in the coming Sunday’s worship service, for learning and exploration. The conversation is always rich, multi-faceted, and fun. All are welcome and invited; no previous knowledge or experience with Bible study required! And now, we're excited to share that Tuesday Morning Bible Study is happening in fully-participatory hybrid format: if for whatever reason you don't want or are not able to come to the CUC building on Tuesday mornings, you can take part in the conversation via Zoom.

Simply head to:

us02web.zoom.us/j/88172654719?pwd=QjlpSzBudkI4NmYwY2lEb3htZG4zUT09 or Meeting ID 881 7265 4719 with Passcode 859456 to join us! (And if the Zoom meeting isn't up and running right at 10:30, please bear with us for a few minutes.) For more information, contact Rev. Matt, who leads the conversation most weeks: matt@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca.

Serve

You Serve with your Stewardship: “*When he had said this, as they were watching, Jesus was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven?’*” (Acts 1:9-11).

The men who watch Jesus ascend needed to be told to stop staring at heaven, to get busy in the world that needs Jesus’ gospel. Many today need to stop “staring at heaven” and focus on the work God has for us in the world, which still needs god’s love.

SFU Campus Minister — Campus United: The Pacific Mountain Regional Council is seeking an individual to fill the role of Campus Minister at Simon Fraser University on a permanent part-time basis, 14 hours per week. Campus United at Simon Fraser University (SFU) seeks to engage students, faculty, and staff in the SFU community who are looking for inclusive and open-minded Christian engagement and community to journey alongside them. The SFU Campus Minister is responsible to provide community, hospitality, pastoral support, leadership development, and faith formation for the university community. While pastoral care, spiritual counselling, and social activism are aspects of the ministry, the central work is to foster a vital campus community that engages participants in discernment as to what it means to follow Jesus in the context and identity of

the United Church of Canada. Among the sought qualifications are: a post-secondary education or equivalent combination of education and life experience with 2-3 years related work experience, particularly in theology and in ministry with young people; strong leadership, organization, teaching and group process skills and experience; experience working with students and young adults, particularly, experience supporting student wellness and providing emotional and spiritual support; and being a skilled networker who can build and support various kinds of connected relationships throughout the university and communities of faith. For the full job description, more information, and to apply: <https://united-church.ca/opportunities/campus-minister-simon-fraser-university>



Coming up — Cloverdale Market Days:

We're looking forward to being a visible, engaging, active presence in our community once again this summer at Cloverdale Market Days. Market Days is the once-a-month arts and entertainment street festival on the "main street" of Cloverdale's historic "downtown" (that is, 176 Street between 56A and 58 Avenues), and will be taking place on Saturdays, May 27, June 24, July 29, August 26, and September 16, from 10 am to 3 pm.

We are registered to have a booth at the Market Days on all 5 of these dates, which will be centred around the pin-button-making activity that proved to be quite appreciated and engaging, especially for families with kids, at the one Market Days date we participated

in last year. The booth will also have a bit of information and materials about our congregation and our faith tradition more broadly... and, most importantly, us: the people of Cloverdale United Church, to have the engagement and the fun, caring conversations with neighbours and newcomers alike that make us who we are.

Rev. Matt plans to be at as much of our Market Days presence as possible, but he can't do it alone... and as many of us discovered last summer, it's quite a fun time anyway! **If you're able to volunteer for May 27, please let Rev. Matt know ASAP (preferably by email: matt@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca).** Take a look at your calendars for the other dates to see which ones you can take part in. We try to keep each volunteer shift to only 2 hours max, and they can be shorter if needed. For more information or to express an interest in helping, contact Rev. Matt: matt@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca

Cloverdale UCW (United Church Women) News

May and June Update: The UCW (United Church Women) at Cloverdale United Church is an intergenerational and intercultural organization dedicated to fulfilling the mission of our church. All are welcome and invited to participate in the events and activities planned for May and June.

Hamper Fund Fundraiser

The Friendship Gathering on March 6 was a fundraiser for the CUC Hamper Fund which provides support for local families and individuals in need. We will continue to support this project with donations collected at our Friendship gatherings. If you would like to hear more about the CUC Hamper Fund contact Christine Connal christine.connal@gmail.com or Bev Siggs bevsiggs@gmail.com

Monthly Meetings

Monthly evening meetings (Sunshine Group) usually take place on the *first Wednesday of the month* at 7 p.m. in the CUC Lounge or as announced.

Monthly morning meetings (Friendship and Alpha Groups) will take place on the *first Monday of the month* at 10 a.m. in the CUC Lounge or as announced.

Can You Help?

The date for our **2023 CUC Handcraft Market** is November 18. That is 6 months into the future but not too soon to start thinking and planning. We would love to hear your ideas for vendors and activities. Watch for opportunities to participate in the planning and organization of this exciting event. Contact Kim Forbes blueforbes@icloud.com or Margaret Rose mbrose1@telus.net

Mark Your Calendars

- Wednesday, Date TBA: Semi-Annual General Meeting and Desserts
- Monday, June 5: Year End Picnic in the Park. Details to follow.
- Sunday, June 11: UCW Thank Offering Service

For further information contact: Kim Forbes, UCW President blueforbes@icloud.com or office@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca.

Other news and notes

Congregant searching for housing: Virginia Ramunda-Marty & Scott Chalmers, congregants here at CUC, are approaching the end of a lease and are looking for a new housing opportunity. If you have any leads on a house or 3-bedroom housing unit available for rent, Virginia would love to hear from you; feel free to give her a call at 778-858-0078 or an email at vramunda@gmail.com.

Rainbow Camp Welcomes 2SLGBTQIA+ Young People and Allies



Rainbow Camp® in northern Ontario has welcomed young people of all sexual identities since 2012. From the beginning, Mission & Service has supported Welcome Friend Association, which runs the camp. “Initially, we wanted to bridge the local LGBTQ community with area churches. We started the association, and then we launched the camp. We had no idea what we were doing at the time. Only one person on the board had camp experience, but we knew that young people would benefit,” says Chris Southin, one of the camp’s co-founders.

Originally a one-week camp with 14 youths, Rainbow Camp® now serves up to 50 youth each week for four weeks. Expansion plans are in the works; Rainbow Camp® Atlantic is launching in August 2023 in Nova Scotia, and a pilot is planned for the west coast. “We’ve had an invitation to duplicate the Rainbow Camp® experience in Australia and in the UK too. It’s exciting!” says Harry Stewart, also a co-founder.

Above all, Rainbow Camp® provides campers with a safe space to be who they are without judgment. “I’ll never forget our first year of camp. It was the second full day. A camper told us his mom had found a dress in his closet. He lied to her and said that it belonged to his girlfriend. He had brought the dress to camp and said he would like to wear it. High heels and sand don’t mix!” Stewart explains, laughing: “But the warmth, love, and compassion that the camper received from everyone at camp was amazing. We tell all of our staff ‘Your job is to make sure that each and every camper has the best possible time at Rainbow Camp®.’”

Southin and Stewart want the camp experience to be memorable, fun, soul-searching, and supportive. “We don’t want any camper to feel afraid to be who they are. I think that’s why so many now call it their home.” This important work was recognized with a Governor General’s award in 2021, an award that recognizes “great Canadians for exceptional deeds that bring honour to our country.”

Your generosity through Mission & Service supports safe, welcoming spaces like Rainbow Camp®. Thank you!

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