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"Look up for Faith, Hope and Love"
The Art by Edie Mae Herrel in 1983

The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
(19th Sunday after Pentecost)
A Service of the Word

19 October 2025 • 10:30 AM

The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We must not therefore be hesitant and lacking in faith. We must persist in our prayers, and our persistence will quite certainly win us, as God has told us, everything we ask for. No doubt about this at all!

— John Cassian (360-435), a Christian monk and theologian

GATHERING 모임

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

Prelude 전주

Tim Bailey, interim music leader

Gathering Chorus (Introit) 찬송

Then Let Us Sing! #35 – v. 1

“Bless the Lord, O my soul (10,000 Reasons)”



Bless the Lord, O my soul. O my soul, wor-ship your ho -



ly name. Sing like nev - er be-fore, O my soul;



I'll wor-ship your ho - ly name.



The sun comes up, it's a new day dawn - ing;



it's time to sing your song a - gain. What -



ev - er may pass, and what - ev - er lies be - fore me,



Centring Quiet 집중을 위한 조용한 순간

We together hold an intentional period of quiet, during which worshippers are invited to centre themselves and prepare for the worship of God.

Greeting 인사

Pastor Youngsun Cheon

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.

Opening Sentences 예배로 부름

One: O God, how sweet are your words to my taste,

Many: sweeter than honey to my mouth!

One: Put your law within us, write it on our hearts.

Many: From the least to the greatest,
may we know you, O Holy One.

* Hymn 찬송 — “O God Who Shaped Creation”

Voices United #276

Confession and Forgiveness 죄의 고백과 용서

CALL TO CONFESSION 고백으로의 초청

PRAYER OF CONFESSION 죄의 고백

Many: O Lord our God,
you knew us before we were born
and call us to serve you faithfully.
You deliver us from captivity
and prove abundantly for our needs.
Yet we forsake you.
We abandon your way and follow false gods.
We are like cracked vessels that can hold no water.
We are skilled at doing evil and unable to do what is right.
Forgive us, O Lord.
Reshape us with your hand. Renew your covenant with us.
Put your law within us and write it on our hearts,
so that we may be your faithful people once more
as you have been our faithful God always;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Quiet is kept for personal confession and reflection.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS 용서의 선언

One: ... Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

Many: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

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 교회 소식

WORD 말씀

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

Anthem — “Open My Eyes” by C. H. Scott, S. R. Nussel

The Choir

Open my eyes, that I may see a glimpse of truth You have for me.
Place in my hands the wondrous key. Let it unlock and set me free.
Open my ears, that I may hear the voice of truth.
You're sending clear, and while the sounds fall on my ear,
Then all things false will disappear. Open my ears, and let me hear.
How silently I wait, ready, my God, to learn Your way.
Ready, my God, Your will to see. Open my life, illumine me.
Open my mouth, and let me bear gladly the warm truth ev'ry where.
Open my heart, help me prepare love with Your children ev'ry where,
Love with Your children ev'ry where. Open my eyes, that I may see.
Open my hearts, that I may hear. Open my eyes. Open my ears, Open my heart.

The Early Word 어린이 설교

ending with **The Lord's Prayer** 회중기도와 주기도

Many: Our Father, who art in Heaven, 하늘에 계신 우리 아버지여,
hallowed be thy name, 이름이 거룩히 여김을
thy kingdom come, 받으시옵며, 나라이 임하옵시며,
thy will be done 뜻이 하늘에서 이룬 것같이
on earth as it is in heaven. 땅에서도 이루어지이다. 오늘날
Give us this day our daily bread, 우리에게 일용할 양식을
and forgive us our trespasses 주옵시고, 우리가 우리에게 죄
as we forgive those 지은 자를 사하여 준 것같이 우리
who trespass against us. 죄를 사하여 주옵시고, 우리를
And lead us not into temptation, 시험에 들게 하지 마옵시고,
but deliver us from evil, 다만 악에서 구하옵소서. 대개
for Thine is the Kingdom, 나라와 권세와 영광이 아버지께
the power, and the glory, 영원히 있사옵나이다. 아멘.
for ever and ever. Amen.

*Children grades 5 and younger are welcome to go with the leader(s)
to Children's Church, in the Lounge on the lower level.*

First Reading 성경봉독 — 2nd Timothy 3:14-4:5

pew bibles NT p. 210

The writer of this letter continues his instruction of Timothy, his younger colleague in ministry, by emphasizing the importance of faithful teaching despite opposition.

after the reading:

One: Word of God, Word of Life.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading 성경봉독 — Jeremiah 31:27-34

pew bibles OT p. 746

After uttering many oracles of judgment, Jeremiah announces a day of hope when God will make a new covenant with Israel and Judah, a covenant written upon their hearts and sealed with God's forgiveness.

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).

Sermon 설교 — “The Journey of Personal Faith”

a brief moment of quiet follows the sermon

* Hymn 찬송 — “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Voices United # 288

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

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

We believe in God:

우리는 홀로가 아닙니다.
하나님의 세계에서 삽니다.
우리는 하나님을 믿습니다.

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.

We trust in God.

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.

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

We are not alone.
 Thanks be to God.

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

우리는 하나님을 신뢰합니다.

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.

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

우리는 홀로가 아닙니다.
 하나님께 감사드립니다.

RESPONSE 응답

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

Responding with our Gifts 봉헌

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Tim Bailey

PRAYER REQUESTS — As the morning offering is collected:

- in-person worshippers can share prayer petitions (thanksgivings and intercessions, joys and concerns) on the **purple-topped 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.

* PRESENTING OUR GIFTS 경배 찬양 — The Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

choose any version { Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God all crea-tures
 Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures
 만 복 의 근 원 하 나 님 온 백 성 찬 송

here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:
 high and low; give thanks to God in love made known:
 드 리 고 저 천 사 여 찬 송 하 세

praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost! A - men.
 Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it, One. A - men.
 찬 송 성 부 성 자 성 령. 아 멘.

*** PRAYER OF DEDICATION** 감사기도

Many: God of mercy and justice,
 you administer to each according to your grace
 and not according to what we deserve.
 Keep from us all evil,
 the evil we commit
 and the evil committed by others.
 Preserve us by your providence,
 All for the sake of your holy name.
 Amen.

The Prayers of the People

SENDING 파송

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

*** Hymn** 찬송 — “Wherever You May Go”

More Voices #216

*** Charge and Benediction** 파송과 축도

*** RESPONSE** 파송 찬양 — “Guide My Feet”

1 Guide my feet while I run this race,

(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race,

(Yes, my Lord,)

guide my feet while I run this race, For I

don't want to run this race in vain. (race in vain.)

*** Dismissal** 예배로 부름

One: Go in peace. Proclaim the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

*** Postlude** 후주

Tim Bailey

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

Many thanks to today's ...

readers: Ursula Maxwell-Lewis, Younghee Lee

ushers/greeters: Sharon McBain, Jo-Ann Brown

digital ushers: Doug Sowerby and the tech team

fellowship time hosts: Margaret Rose, Kay Ogilvie

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 monthly gifts via Pre-Authorized Remittance (contact the office to enrol), by free eTransfer from your bank (to cloverdalepastoralcharge@gmail.com), or by credit card via CanadaHelps (service fees apply). Want to give now but don't have cash or cheque? Scan the QR → to be taken to CanadaHelps.



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!” Children are encouraged to stand and sing with the songs, partake in communion, read and pray along when they can, and join in for the “Early Word”—a time at the front with conversation just for them near the beginning of the service. Most Sundays September through June, we have “**Children's Church**” activities during the latter two-thirds of the service in the Lounge on the lower level, to which any pre-school through grade 5 aged child is welcome! For those accompanying infants or toddlers who need a spot to ‘escape’ to during the worship service, feel free to make use of the “**Quiet Room**” off the side of the sanctuary, near the piano, where there you will find comfortable seating, toys, and a changing table all while being able to hear and see the worship service.



Recording and streaming in use: Please note that video cameras and microphones are capturing our worship services, and that the resulting content may be transmitted over Zoom, YouTube, or other platforms.

Likewise, from time to time still photography of our worship services may be taken and used for church communications, websites, and other uses. By your presence within the sanctuary, you are indicating your consent to the possibility that your likeness may be

captured and used in any of these ways. While video capture of congregants in the pews is relatively minimal, if you wish to guarantee you will not ever be depicted on video, the area at the rear centre of the pew seating area is unable to be picked up on camera.



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.

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Serve

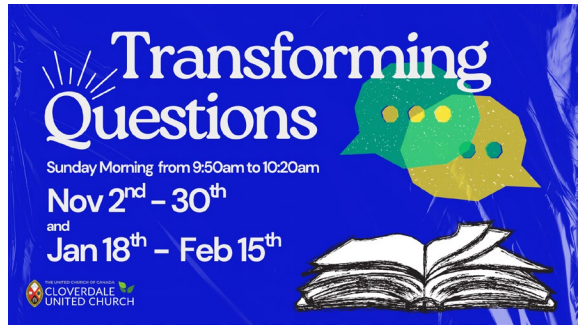
You Serve with your Stewardship: *“I lift up my eyes to the hills-- from where will my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.” (Psalm 121:1-2).* So much of our life energy we spend trying to find security—in employment, finance, emotions, relationships, and on and on. Psalm 121 reminds us that we are secure in God; thus, we are free to live without undue worry and with greater generosity.

Transforming Questions:

November 2–30, 2025 (5 sessions) and January 18–February 15, 2026 (5 sessions) — Sunday mornings, 9:50–10:20 am, in the Lower Hall

Cloverdale United Church invites you to a **10-week discipleship journey**

exploring life's biggest questions through Scripture and conversation. Each Sunday morning we'll gather with coffee, cookies, and open hearts to ask, reflect, and grow together.



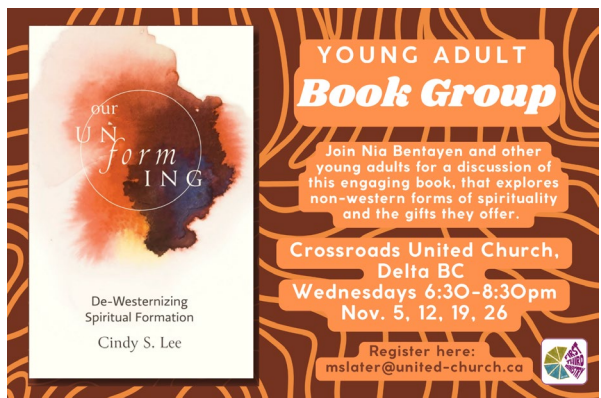
- Session 1: Can we question our faith?
- Session 2: Who is Jesus?
- Session 3: Why did Jesus have to die?
- Session 4: What do we have to do?
- Session 5: How should I read the Bible?
—Break—
- Session 6: Does God answer prayer?
- Session 7: Why do bad things happen?
- Session 8: Where do we go when we die?
- Session 9: Why do I need church?
- Session 10: Where do we go from here?

For registration or further information, please contact **Pastor Youngsun** at youngsun@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca.

YOUNG ADULT BOOK

GROUP — *Our Unforming: De-Westernizing Spiritual Formation*, by Cindy S Lee:

Join Nia Bentayen and other young adults for a discussion of this engaging book that explores non-western forms of spirituality and the gifts they offer. Hosted by Crossroads United Church, on four Wednesday evenings, from 6:30-8:30 pm (Nov 5, 12, 19, 26). Snacks, tea and decaf coffee provided! Offered by PMRC First Third Ministry. Register here: mslater@united-church.ca



Pray

New this week...

- For **those facing food insecurity**.
- For **Dianne**, sister of Joyce, who has been hospitalized this past week after suffering another fall, and for Dianne's daughters and their families as they journey alongside her.
- For the peoples and ministries witnessing to Christ through **Oak Bay** United Church in Victoria, **Gladwin Heights** and **St. Andrew's** United Churches in Abbotsford, **Golden Ears** United Church in Maple Ridge, **Gordon** United Church in Langford, **Grace** United Church in Coombs, **Grace** United Church in Lax Kw'alaams, and **Grasmere** United Church in Fernie (*from The United Church's regional council prayer cycles*).
- For **Belize, Guatemala, Honduras, and Mexico** — *in thanksgiving for*: the cultures and foods distinctive here, yet enjoyed around the world; indigenous and other groups who have resisted injustice and human rights violations; church leaders who have spoken out and acted on behalf of the poor and marginalized; and developments that improve life for all, while also caring for the environment... *and praying for*: stable, democratically elected governments committed to the peace and wellbeing of all; comfort and healing for the families and loved ones of those who have been killed or disappeared, and for those responsible to be brought to justice; stopping corruption, drug traffic, and violence, and those who profit from such activities; and improved economic life and trade policies so that people will not be exploited and can pursue livelihoods in these countries rather than migrating elsewhere for work (*from the World Council of Churches' prayer cycle*).

Ongoing...

- In gratitude and in hope, for the **cessation of fighting in Israel and the release of hostages**.
- For all **those journeying with dementia, Alzheimers, and other forms of cognitive decline**, and for God's strength to dwell within those who find themselves as caregivers.
- For the people of **Gaza**, facing starvation and devastation.
- For those of our congregation who are homebound, incarcerated, in long-term nursing care, or otherwise unable to be with us regularly, including: **Roger, Lorraine, Pauline, Eileen, Joyce, Gerrit, Brenda, and Roy**.

Additions to the prayer list are always welcome! Submissions received in the office by 9:00 am Thursday morning will appear in the bulletin. Petitions regarding specific individuals or circumstances will only be retained on the prayer list for 3 weeks at a time (but can be renewed if changes in the situation warrant).

Meet

UCW Annual Meeting

Tuesday, October 21, 2025 – Cheam View United Church, Chilliwack
Registration: 9:30 a.m.

Join us for a day filled with singing, fellowship, a business meeting, an inspiring guest speaker, worship, and more!

Please bring your enthusiasm and a bag lunch — beverages and dessert will be provided.

This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with other UCW women who share your interests, renew old friendships, and make new ones. Carpooling is encouraged. For more information, please contact Lorrie Brown at 778-593-7410 or jackandlorrie@outlook.com.



Save The Date

Fraser United Church Women (UCW)
Gathering/Annual General Meeting 2025

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

10:00 AM - 2:30 PM
(Registration: 9:30 AM)

Cheam View United Church
(former Mt Shannon)
46875 Yale Rd, Chilliwack

Gratitude

Please bring a bag lunch
Beverage & Dessert provided
More information to follow

Other news and notes

Staff Doings - Week of October 19th: Our children's ministry leader, **Ross Shearer**, continues to be away at the Centre for Christian Studies in Winnipeg; he will return October 30. **Rev. Matt** is now away for combination of vacation and study leave, returning to the office on Wednesday, October 29th; while Rev. Matt is away, Pastor Youngsun is on-call for pastoral emergencies or other needs (cell phone is 604-767-3517). Finally, please note that this coming **Friday, October 24, the CUC office will not have staffing on-site** during normal office hours; our office administrator, Lily Lee, will still be able to be reached at the usual office phone and email while working remotely, however.

staff
DOINGS

No Halloween Trunk-or-Treat event this year:

As shared in the Sunday morning announcements time a couple of weeks ago by Laurel Zulke (in her role as the most recent event coordinator for our Halloween Trunk-or-Treat events), our outside community partner for the event (Chef Tai) is not going to be available to help put on the Halloween Trunk-or-Treat event this year. As Laurel and Rev. Matt considered the numbers of CUC volunteers expressing interest-to-help, along assessing other resources needed, they have decided not to proceed this year with the Halloween Trunk-or-Treat event that would have been on October 31st. As a congregation, we are sad to not have the event this year, but in all ministry happenings we need to plan realistically based on the availability, interest, willingness of the people of our community of faith. We are open to resuming the Halloween event in future years as circumstances allow.



SAVE THE DATE: CUC's Annual Community Christmas Concert

Saturday, December 6, 2025 at 7:00 PM

Join us at Cloverdale United Church for a joyful evening of music, laughter, and community spirit!

Celebrate the wonder of Christmas with beautiful performances, heartwarming sing-alongs, and the warmth of fellowship as we gather to share the season together.

Admission by donation to our Hamper Fund — your generous gifts (cash, cheque, or e-transfer to cloverdalepastoralcharge@gmail.com) help bring comfort, warmth, and hope to families in need this Christmas.

Let's make the season brighter — together!





40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism: The 40 Days of Engagement on Anti-Racism (<https://united-church.ca/social-action/justice-initiatives/anti-racism/40-days-engagement-anti-racism>) are underway, and now is the best time to join in. Wherever you are on the journey, today is the right day to take

the next step. Across Canada and beyond, people are gathering in faith and courage to confront racism, to listen deeply, and to act for justice.

This is not a quick or easy process. The conversations can be uncomfortable. They reveal where racism lives—in systems, in communities, and within ourselves—and they push us to ask: What does justice look like in real life?

Every day in this program offers tools to walk this path: prayers that ground us, reflections that shift perspectives, stories and videos that bring lived experiences into focus, and action steps that help turn awareness into change. These resources are created by ministers, lay leaders, educators, and community members—people who bring lived experience, wisdom, and hope.

This work is not just about understanding racism. It's about dismantling it.

From October 14 to November 28, 2025, the 40 Days include:

- Live online events with dynamic speakers every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. ET
- Weekly short videos with accompanying reflections and action items
- Downloadable resources designed for both groups and individuals

The learning doesn't stop there. All resources remain available online so that individuals, congregations, and community groups can keep learning, keep talking, and keep acting. Anti-racism is a lifelong journey.

Your Mission and Service gifts make this vital work possible, not just for 40 days, but every day. Through your generosity, the United Church of Canada continues to live into its commitment to becoming an anti-racist church, and to work toward a world where every person is treated with dignity, equity, and love. Thank you.

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!

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.

Cloverdale United Church recognizes that we worship, live, work, and play in traditional and unceded territories of Coast Salish peoples: primarily the Katzie, the Kwantlen, the Semiahmoo, the Snokomish, the Stolo, the Tsawwassen, and the Wsanec. We give our thanks to them and for them; we offer our respect to those ancestors who may be interred in this land. We seek to live with respect in this piece of Creation; we seek peace and justice among all who have called this land home.

CLOVERDALE UNITED CHURCH

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