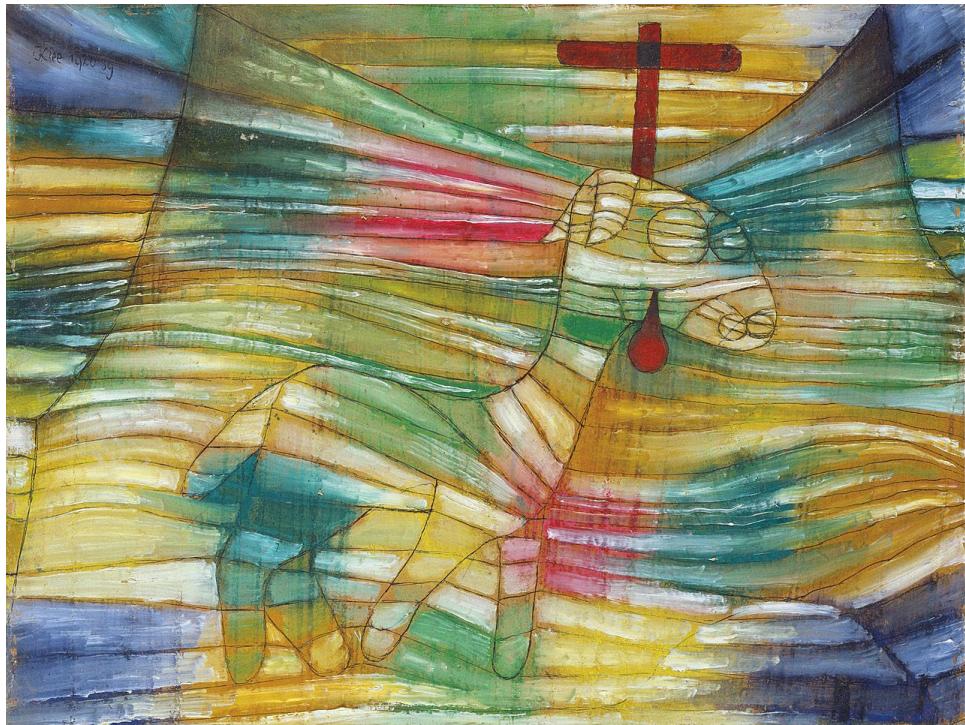




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*“Das Lamm” (The Lamb)  
painting by Paul Klee, 1920*

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Season after Epiphany  
A Service of the Word**

18 January 2026 • 10:30 AM

## The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

“The basis of the Christian community is not the family tie, or social or economic equality, or shared oppression or complaint, or mutual attraction ... but the divine call. The Christian community is not the result of human efforts.”

— *Henri J. M. Nouwen (1932 – 1996), Dutch Catholic priest, professor, and spirituality writer*

## GATHERING 모임

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

Prelude 전주

Tim Bailey

Gathering Chorus (Introit) 찬송 — “Far Above the Noise of Life” GENTLE VOICE

Far a - bove the noise of life, there's a voice that is  
gent - ly call - ing. “Leave be - hind your  
cares and strife. Come to me. I will give you rest.  
Bring your fear and bring your pain. Bring your  
an - ger and bring your wor - ry.”  
Do you hear the voice of Je - sus, gen - tly

*In the ways we are able—in body or in spirit—we rise for those parts marked with an asterisk \*\**

call - ing, "Come un - to me"? Gen - tle voice, so  
 full of love. Gen - tle words so rich in mer - cy.  
 "You are my be - love - ed child.  
 Come to me. I will give you rest."

### 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

*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.

### Call to Worship 예배로 부름

*Ross Shearer, diaconal ministries student*

**One:** The Lord puts a new song in our mouths, a song of praise to our God;

**Many:** many shall see, and stand in awe, and they shall trust the Lord.

**One:** Great are the wonders God has done!

In wondrous plans for us, none can be compared!

**Many:** Oh, that we could make them known and tell them!  
 But they are more than we can count.

### \* Hymn 찬송 — “Great Is Your Faithfulness”

*Voices United #288*

### \* Prayer of the Day 오늘의 기도

*Ross Shearer*

**One:** Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, with the grace of gratitude we adore you,  
 for you have magnified your blessings towards us,  
 revealing to us your love and mercy.

**Many:** We have seen your glory: We adore you.

**One:** With the grace of humility we adore you,  
for you have given us a readiness to learn from you,  
and enriched us with wisdom and knowledge.

**Many:** We have seen your glory: We adore you.

**One:** With the grace of love we adore you,  
for you have called us to belong to You and to each other,  
trusting in your eternal faithfulness towards us.

**Many:** We have seen your glory: We adore you.

**One:** All praise and glory be to you and you alone, dear Lord,  
this day and forever more.

**Many:** Amen.

\* **The Peace** 평화의 인사

Rev. Matt

**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

Rev. Matt

## WORD 말씀

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

**Anthem** — “Ancient Words” by DeShazo, arr. Courtney

The Choir

Ancient words, ever true, ancient words ever true.

Ancient words, long preserved, for our walk in this world,  
They resound with God's own heart. O let the ancient words impart.

Words of life, words of hope give us strength, help us cope,  
In this world where-e'er we roam, ancient words will guide us home.

Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you,  
We have come with open hearts. O let the ancient words impart.

Holy words of our faith handed down to this age,  
came to us through sacrifice. O heed the faithful words of Christ.

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world,  
They resound with God's own heart. O let the ancient words impart.

Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you,  
We have come with open hearts. O let the ancient words impart you,

Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you,  
We have come with open hearts. O let the ancient words impart.

We have come with open hearts. O let the ancient words impart. Ever true.

## First Reading 성경봉독 — Isaiah 49:1-7

pew bibles OT p. 679

Here the “servant”, identified as Israel, speaks for herself and describes her honoured mission. Called before her birth like Jeremiah and John the Baptist, the servant is not only to restore Israel. The servant’s ultimate assignment is to bring news of God’s victory to the ends of the earth. God in faithfulness has chosen Israel for this task.

*after the reading:*

**One:** Word of God, Word of Life.

**Many:** Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading 성경봉독 — John 1:29-42

pew bibles NT p. 92

John the Baptist’s witness to Jesus initiates a chain of testimony as his disciples begin to share with others what they have found.

IN ENGLISH

*after the reading:*

**One:** Word of God, Word of Life.

**Many:** Thanks be to God.

IN ANOTHER LANGUAGE

*after the reading:*

**One:** Amen.

**Many:** Amen.

## The Early Word 어린이 설교

Rev. Matt

*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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

하늘에 계신 우리 아버지여,  
이름이 거룩히 여김을  
받으시오며, 나라의 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  
나라와 권세와 영광이 아버지께  
영원히 있사옵나이다. 아멘.

*At the end of the refrain that follows, children in grade 5 and younger are welcome to go with the leader(s) to Children’s Church, in the Lounge on the lower level.*

**Refrain** 찬송 — “God calls you good”

by Paul M. Vasile

1 God calls you good, be - lov - ed child. You are a  
 2 God calls me good, be-love-ed child. I am a

tre - sure deep-ly prized. And you can say to ev -  
 tre - sure deep-ly prized. And I can say to ev -

ery doubt-ing voice, “God calls you good, be - lov - ed  
 ery doubt-ing voice, “God calls me good, be-lov-ed

child.” “God calls you good, be - lov - ed child.”  
 child.” “God calls me good, be-lov-ed child.”

**Sermon** 설교 — “Beginnings: Behold”

Rev. Matt

*a brief moment of quiet follows the sermon***\* Hymn** 찬송 — “God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me”

GREEN TYLER

1 God, be the love to search and keep me;  
 2 Bind to my - self the Name of Ho - ly,  
 3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light,  
 4 Walk - ing be - hind to hem my jour - ney,  
 5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me,

God, be the prayer to move my voice;  
 great cloud of wit - ness - es en - fold;  
 flash - ing of light - ning, strength of wind,  
 go - ing a - head to light my way,  
 Christ in the ears that hear my voice,

\* **Affirmation of Faith: A New Creed** 신앙의 고백: 우리 신소 *Pr. Youngsun Cheon*

We are not alone,  
우리는 홀로가 아닙니다.  
we live in God's world.  
하나님의 세계에서 삽니다.

We believe in God:  
우리는 하나님을 믿습니다.  
who has created and is creating,  
만물을 창조하셨고,  
who has come in Jesus,  
지금도 창조하시며,  
the Word made flesh,  
화해시키고 새롭게 하기 위하여,  
to reconcile and make new,  
말씀이 몸을 이룬 예수님 안에 오셨으며,  
who works in us and others  
우리와 남들 안에서 성령으로  
by the Spirit.  
역사 하십니다.

We trust in God.  
우리는 하나님을 신뢰합니다.

We are called to be the Church:  
우리는 교회를 이루라고 부름받았습니다.  
to celebrate God's presence,  
하나님의 임재를 찬양하고,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
우주 만물을 존중하며 살고,  
to love and serve others,  
남들을 사랑하며 섬기고,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
정의를 추구하며 악에 항거하고,  
to proclaim Jesus,  
십자가형을 당하시고 살아나셔서,  
crucified and risen,  
우리의 심판자와 희망이 되신  
our judge and our hope.  
예수님을 선포하라고 부름받았습니다.

In life, in death,  
삶에서, 죽음에서,  
in life beyond death,  
죽음을 넘는 삶에서 하나님이 우리와  
God is with us.  
함께 하십니다.

We are not alone.  
우리는 홀로가 아닙니다.  
Thanks be to God.  
하나님께 감사드립니다.

## RESPONSE 응답

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

Responding with our Gifts 봉헌

*Pastor Youngsun*

**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

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures  
choose any version  
만복의 근원 하나님 온백성 찬송

here be - low; praise God a-bove, ye heav'n - ly host:  
high and low; give thanks to God in love made known:  
드리고 저 천사여 찬송 하세

praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost! A- men.  
Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it, One. A- men.  
찬송 성부 성자 성령. 아멘.

\* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION** 감사기도

**Many:** Lamb of God, you take on the sins  
and suffering of the world.

Call us into partnership with you,  
to love and serve your people by your side.  
Call us to witness to your goodness

and to join your ongoing work of liberation.  
Call to us by name,  
and we will delight in your ways.  
Call to us by name,  
and we will follow you forever. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

*Pastor Youngsun*

## SENDING 파송

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

\* Hymn 찬송 — “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

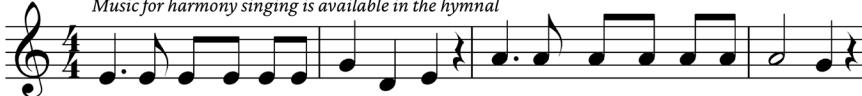
*Voices United #326*

\* Charge and Benediction 파송과 축도

*Rev. Matt*

\* RESPONSE 파송 찬양 — “God Be with You till We Meet...” *V.U. #422 – v. 2*

*Music for harmony singing is available in the hymnal*



2 God be with you till we meet a-gain; un-seen wings pro-tec-ting hide you,  
2 우리 다 시 만날 때 까지 하나님 이 함께 계셔



dai - ly man-na still pro - vide you; God be with you till we meet a-gain.  
간 데 마 다 보호 하 며 양식 주 시 기를 바 라 네



Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Je-sus' feet;  
다시 만날 때 다시 만날 때 예수 앞에 만날 때



till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet a-gain.  
다시 만날 때 다시 만날 때 그 때 까지 계심 바 라 네

\* Dismissal 예배로 부름

*Pastor Youngsun*

*One:* Go in peace.

Do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with the Holy One.

*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:** Laurel Zulke

**ushers/greeters:** Elenore and Melissa Sturko

**digital ushers:** Jamie Brown, Doug Sowerby

**fellowship time hosts:** Mary Files, Lori Presunka

**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](mailto: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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**VST Sunday coming up on  
January 25: Next Sunday is  
VST Sunday!** Most years, on the  
last Sunday in January we here

**VST** | **THOUGHTFUL**  
**ENGAGED**  
**GENEROUS**

at Cloverdale United Church celebrate the theological schools that resource The United Church of Canada in preparing individuals for a variety of ministry roles in and on behalf of the church... and in particular, our relationship with the Vancouver School of Theology (VST), the theological school located on the University of British Columbia campus shared among The United Church of Canada, the Anglican Church of Canada, and the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

This year, we are once again happy to be welcoming a guest speaker from VST for VST Sunday. Soeun Yoo is in her 4th year at VST in the Master of Divinity program. Ms. Yoo is originally from South Korea, but grew up in Japan (and therefore speaks both Korean and Japanese natively). In addition to her studies at VST, Soeun has been active in ministry with “Around The Well”, a ministry of neighbouring around the UBC area under the auspices of Kerrisdale Presbyterian Church. Ms. Yoo Cheon will be preaching next Sunday, January 25 (both Rev. Matt and Pastor Youngsun will be here and leading in worship, as well).

## Learn

**IMAGINE Children's Retreats:** First Third Ministry's *Imagine Children's Retreats* are for children ages 8 to 11 years old and those who lead them. A United Church of Canada event, all people of diverse faith expressions, gender identities, and ways of being family are warmly welcome! Together, we become a multi-age and inter-cultural community gathered to wonder about and explore faith through stories, worship, music, drama, and more. Sharing playfulness, meals, and connection with one another in a safe and welcoming setting, together we deepen our relationships with God.



- **MARCH 6-8: Evans Lake Forest Education Centre (Lower Mainland)**
- **MARCH 13-15: Camp Pringle (Vancouver Island)**
- **APRIL 17-19: Kasota East Camp, Sylvan Lake, Alberta**

More information and registration (open now!) at:

<https://www.firstthirdministry.ca/imaginechildrensretreat.html>

## Meet

### Annual Meeting of the Community of Faith: February 1, 2026

*In accordance with the provisions in section B.5 of the Bylaws of The United Church of Canada, found in The Manual, 2025 edition....*

**All members of the Cloverdale United Church are hereby called to the Annual Meeting of the Community of Faith, to be held on the February 1, 2026, at approximately 11:45 am (following the Sunday morning worship service) in the CUC Lower Hall.** The agenda for the Annual Meeting includes reporting on the life of the Community of Faith over the past year, looking ahead at plans and visions for the coming year, approving the Church Council's proposed budget, electing new Church Council members or other officers, and other matters pertaining to the business and governance of our Community of Faith.

At least 20 full members of the congregation must be in attendance in order to conduct business. Adherents (regular participants in our congregation's life who have not [yet] become members) are also invited and encouraged to attend; we customarily vote to extend the privilege of participation and voting in the meeting to adherents when permitted.



For this year's meeting, we'll have the joy of gathering in fellowship over food, too, as the meeting will take place together with a **luncheon** prepared by congregants active with our community of faith's United Church Women unit.

Attendance and participation in the Annual Meeting will also be available for remote participants via Zoom, at the same Zoom link as is used for CUC worship services. (Alas, the luncheon aspect will only be available to in-person participants, as we have yet to figure out how to pass along food over Zoom Meetings... sorry!)

**Materials and reports for the Annual Report** covering 2025 should be submitted to Lily Lee, office administrator, no later than the end of the day **Monday, January 19** (in order to have annual report booklets ready for distribution on Sunday, January 25).

**Save the Date – Haydn's “Seven Last Words” performance at CUC: Sunday, March 22, 2026, at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.** Mark your calendars for a very special musical performance for the Lenten season. The sacred oratorio “The Seven Last Words of Christ from the Cross” by Joseph Haydn will be presented by professional-level soloists, choristers from Vancouver's Vivaldi Chamber Choir, and accompaniment by a double string quartet of professional-level instrumentalists, on Sunday, March 22nd, beginning at 7:00 pm. Tickets will be \$20 (discounted tickets available at \$10), with proceeds above costs supporting one of our mission-and-ministry partners or projects. More information yet to come... but mark your calendars now!

## Serve

**You Serve with your Stewardship:** “*God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.*” (1 Corinthians 1:9) Just like those first disciples whom Jesus told to “Come and see,” you have been called into the Body of Christ, and God is working in *your* life even if you don't realize it. Pay attention and steward God's wonderful gifts carefully and fully.

**Kitchen Cleaning Bee:** Join us on **Saturday, January 24 at 9:30 AM** as we come together to give our kitchen some extra care and attention. All are welcome, including our men! Many hands make light work, and we'd love to see you there on the 24th.



## Pray

### New this week...

- In thanksgiving for the **work of the Holy Spirit** to awaken spiritual yearnings and break open hearts.
- For the **people of Iran**, in the face of government crackdowns on pro-democracy protesters and threats of attacks from external powers.
- For those being targeted in the flood of **extortion**-linked shootings and violence.
- For **Pam**, friend of Carole, fighting pancreatic cancer.
- For **our world community** in the midst of what feel like unprecedented global geo-political stressors.
- In thanksgiving for the witness to Christ that happens among the people and ministries of **Pitt Meadows** United Church, **St. Columba's** Anglican-United Church in Port Hardy and **St. John's** Church in Port Alice, **Powell River** United Church, and **Quadra Island** United Church. (*from The United Church's regional council prayer cycles*)
- For the nations and peoples of **Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, and Yemen**. *We give you thanks, O God, for:* the ancient cultures and religions that have been sustained in this area for millennia; those who continue to pursue peace in the midst of ethnic strife and terrorism; the faithfulness of Muslims in expressing their faith and working with others; and Christians who practice their faith even when they are a small, often discriminated minority... *And we pray to you, O God, for:* women and others in these countries who are deprived of basic freedoms and human dignity; those who misuse or exploit religious identity for extremist political ends; the wise use of the benefits of oil and other natural resources for the sake of all; the emergence of stable democratic societies based on the rule of law, social justice, and respect for religious and other freedoms. (*from the World Council of Churches' prayer cycle*)

### Ongoing...

- In thanksgiving for the life of **Renee** Nicole Good, the Minneapolis resident shot dead by a US Immigration and Customs Enforcement agent on January 7, and for strength, justice, courage, and truth to prevail among all in the United States.
- In thanksgiving for the life of **Tyler**, nephew of CUCer Debbie, even amidst all of its challenges, in the wake of his death over the New Year's holiday... And for God's comfort and peace-surpassing-all-understanding to surround Tyler's parents **Rob** and **Shelley** as they grieve his passing away.
- For all those left mourning in the wake of lives cut far too short by deaths stemming from **addiction** and all its complications, and for all those struggling to know how to support, assist, accompany, or otherwise walk alongside those in active stages of addictions or substance use disorders.
- In thanksgiving for a successful double lung transplant surgery on January 2 for **Nicole**, grand niece of CUCer Fay, and speedy, almost-miracle-like journey

of recovery and strengthening.

- For **Estelita**, sister-in-law of Glenys, as she undergoes chemotherapy for cancer.
- For **Malika**, friend of Michelle, recently diagnosed with cancer in her stomach and lymph nodes and undergoing chemotherapy.
- For **Sue**, friend of Laurel recently diagnosed with bladder and kidney cancer and preparing for surgery to remove one kidney.
- God of grace and courage, we lift up to you **all those facing the scourge of addiction**, in all its forms. Pour out your power and help them join with you in breaking the bonds that keep them captive.
- Bring help and hope, O God, to all **those facing food insecurity**.
- Hold in your heart, O God, all **those journeying with dementia, Alzheimer's, and other forms of cognitive decline**, and pour strength into those who find themselves as caregivers.
- Lift up, defend, protect, and comfort the people of **Gaza**, good Lord, as they continue facing the violence, starvation, and devastation that has been wrought upon them.
- 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 Steele, 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).*

## God's Mission, Our Gifts

**Mountains of Service:** If you ever travel to the northern mountains of India and meet a man named Surrender Singh, the first thing he'll do is invite you on a walk. Not a short stroll, but a real mountain trek. And the beauty of the Himalayas is only part of what he wants to show you.

With him as your guide, the trail becomes a story. Every bend holds a memory. Every village has a face he knows.

Many still call him "Singh san" from his time training at the Asian Rural Institute, a Mission and Service partner in Japan. For more than four decades, he has climbed these ridges. As you walk beside him, people call out greetings. He calls them by name. Someone brings tea. He digs in his pack and pulls out bananas or biscuits to share. And suddenly you're not just passing through—you're part of the conversation.

He'll point to a house and tell you how he once slept on the floor there while helping build a water pipeline with the Mussoorie Village Development Committee, the group he now leads. Another turn in the path, and he's showing you the school that has given local children a chance to learn close to home.

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**W**elcome 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.

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