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Vision of the Sermon (Jacob Wrestling with the Angel), by Paul Gauguin, 1888, National Galleries Scotland.

The 18 Sunday in Ordinary Time
(10 after Pentecost)
A Service of the Word

02 August 2026 • 10:30 AM

The 18 Sunday in Ordinary Time

We ask many times about the meaning of prayer. To wrestle with God in order that God might be God is an answer to this question.

— Dorothee Soelle, *Theology for Sceptics*, trans. Joyce L. Irwin, 1995.

GATHERING 모임

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

Prelude 전주 Umuziki mbere yo gutangira kuramya

Tim Bailey

Gathering Song 찬송 Indirimbo yo guterana

“Kindle in Us Your Love”

KINDLE IN US

Come, Ho - ly Spir - it, kin-dle in us
the fire of your love. Come, Ho - ly
Spir - it, kin-dle in us your love.
Kin-dle in us your love, kin-dle in us your love.

repeats

Last time

Centring Quiet 집중을 위한 조용한 순간 Igihe cy'ituze cyo kwhitegura gusenga

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 Indamukanyo

Youngsun Choen, associate minister

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

Ross Shearer, diaconal ministries student

예배로 부름 Guhamagarirwa Gusenga

One: In this place,
in this time of worship,

Many: we feel the presence of God.

One: In our words,
in our song,

Many: we sing the beauty of God.

One: In each person,
in each soul,

Many: we see the face of God.

* Hymn 찬송 Indirimbo — “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty” Voices United #315

* Prayer of the Day 오늘의 기도 Isengesho ryo gufungura

Ross Shearer

One: Let us pray.

**Many: Life-changing God,
you have touched us
and transformed us
to reach out
to all who hunger
for what only you can give.
Keep our feet in your paths
And bless us to multiply
blessings to others,
Through Jesus Christ our
Redeemer and lord.
Amen.**

생명을 변화시키시는 하나님,
주님은 우리를 만지시고
우리의 삶을 변화시키셔서,
오직 주님만이 주실 수 있는 것을
갈망하는
모든 이들에게 다가가게
하셨습니다.
우리의 발걸음을 주님의 길로
인도하시고,
우리가 받은 복을 다른 이들에게
더욱 풍성히 나누는 복의 통로가
되게 하소서.
예수님의 이름으로 기도합니다.
아멘.

* The Peace 평화의 인사 Amahoro ya Kristo

Pastor Youngsun

One: 그리스도의 평화가 당신과 함께 하시기를 바랍니다.
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 교회소식 Ikaze n'amatangazo

WORD 말씀

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

The Early Word 어린이 설교 Ubutumwa bugenewe abana Ross Shearer
with **The Lord's Prayer** 회중기도와 주기도 Isengesho ry'Umwami wacu

Worshippers are invited to pray The Lord's Prayer in the language of their hearts. English, French, German, Korean, Chinese, Punjabi, and Kinyarwanda versions of the Prayer are on cards in the pews. The worship leader will pray in English.

예배 참석자 여러분께서는 마음속에 있는 언어로 주기도문을 바치실 수 있습니다. 영어, 프랑스어, 독일어, 한국어, 중국어, 편자브어, 키냐르완다어 버전의 주기도문이 좌석에 비치된 카드에 있습니다. 예배 인도자는 영어로 기도할 것입니다.

Abasenga batumiwe gusenga Isengesho ry'Umwami mu rurimi rw'imitima yabo. Iri sengesho mu gifaransa, ikidage, igikoreya, igishinwa, igipunjabi n'ikinyarwanda riri ku makarita mu ntebe. Umuyobozi w'itorero azasenga mu Cyongereza.

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 & ever. Amen.

RESPONSE 찬송 Indirimbo — “Lord, Prepare Me” More Voices #18

Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc - tu - ar - y,

pure and ho - ly, tried and true; with thanks - giv - ing,

I'll be a liv - ing sanc - tu - ar - y for you.

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.

First Reading 성경봉독 *Ibyanditswe Byera* — Matthew 14:13-21 NT p. 16

After John the Baptist is murdered, Jesus desires a time of solitude. Still, his compassion for others will not allow him to dismiss those who need him, and he is moved to perform one of his greatest miracles.

after the reading:

One: Word of God, Word of Life.

***Many:* Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading 성경봉독 *Ibyanditswe Byera* — Genesis 32:22-32 OT p. 30

Jacob wrestled all night with God, and when God wanted to get away as dawn was breaking, Jacob would not let God go until God had blessed him. Jacob's name is changed to Israel to mark his new relationship with God as he enters the land. Jacob is astonished that he remains alive after seeing God face-to-face.

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.**

Sermon 설교 *Ubutumwa*

Pastor Youngsun

“Dawn comes, even when the wounds remain”

a brief moment of quiet follows the sermon

*** Hymn** 찬송 *Indirimbo* — “Be Thou My Vision”

Voices United #642

*** Affirmation of Faith** 신앙의 고백 *Guhamy Ukwezera: A New Creed*

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

**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.**

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,**

우리는 홀로가 아닙니다.
하나님의 세계에서 삽니다.

우리는 하나님을 믿습니다.

만물을 창조하셨고,
지금도 창조하시며,
화해시키고 새롭게 하기 위하여,
말씀이 몸을 이룬 예수님 안에 오셨으며,
우리과 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

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.

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 Ituro

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 Gutanga Amaturo Yacu

“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



Prayers of the People 중보기도와 감사기도 Isengesho ryo gusaba abandi

FEAST 성찬 IFUNGURO RY'UMWAMI WACU

God feeds us with the Presence of Jesus Christ

* Hymn 찬송 Indirimbo — “Bread of Life, Feed My Soul”

More Voices #194

Invitation to the Feast

Pastor Youngsun

Great Thanksgiving 성찬 감사기도 Isengesho ry'Ukaristiya ryo gushimira Imana

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

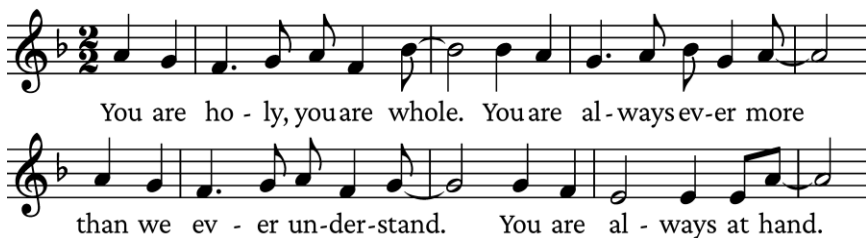
Many: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.
from age to age your creation sings your praises.
You feed even the birds of the air,
and you clothe the fields with lilies.
You gave your blessing to Abraham and his descendants,
and you spoke with Moses, Elijah, and David.
Blessed are you, Lord our God:

Therefore, with all that is, seen and unseen,
and with all the faithful of every time and place,
we join in this hymn of praise and thanksgiving:





One: You fulfilled your covenant with us in Jesus.
He is Emmanuel, your beloved Son,
the star that guides us to wisdom,
the treasure hidden in a field.
He is the landowner who overpays the workers,
the judge who separates good from evil.
Blessed are you. Lord our God.

For us he lived, for us he died, for us he rose to eternal life.
Then and now he invites us to your banquet.
On the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread, and gave thanks,
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood.
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

We hear his call, we repent our ways,
and we enter with joy into the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are you, Lord our God.

Many: Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

One: Send your Holy Spirit here on your gathered disciples.
Make of this meal the body and blood of forgiveness.
Heal us and grant us your righteousness,
that we may love you and serve our neighbours.
Blessed are you, Lord our God:

Many: Blessed are you, Lord our God.

Remembering the Stories & Sharing the Feast

성찬에의 참여 *Gusangira Ifunguro ry'Ukaristiya*

An Open Table! When we celebrate Holy Communion we are *all* guests at the table, with Jesus himself as our host. We have not earned a place at the table, rather we are invited because of the amazing grace of God. For that reason, this celebration of the Holy Communion is open to all — including children—who wish to know the presence of Christ and the community of God's people, and not merely members of this congregation or denomination. This is a *joyful* feast for *all* the people of God.

열린 식탁! 우리가 성찬식을 거행할 때, 우리는 예수님이 주인인 식탁의 모든 손님입니다. 우리는 하나님의 놀라운 은혜로 인해 초대받은 모든 사람입니다. 우리의 합당성 때문이 아니라, 하나님의 놀라운 은혜로 인해 초대받은 모든 사람입니다. 그렇기 때문에, 이 성찬식은 그리스도의 임재와 하나님의 백성의 공동체를 알고자 하는 모든 사람에게 열려 있으며, 이 교회나 교단의 구성원에게만 국한되지 않습니다. 그리고 여기에는 아이들도 포함됩니다. 이것은 하나님의 모든 백성에게 즐거운 잔치입니다.

Ameza Afunguye! Iyo twizihiza Ifunguro Ryera twese tuba turi abashyitsi ku meza, Yesu ubwe akaba ari we uducumbikira. Nta kintu na kimwe twakoze kugira ngo tubone umwanya ku meza, ahubwo tuba twatumiwe kubera ubuntu butangaje bw'Imana. Kubera iyo mpamvu, iki gikorwa cyo kwizihiza Ifunguro Ryera gifunguye ku bantu bose - harimo n'abana - bifuzza kumenya ko Kristo ariho n'umuryango w'abantu b'Imana, atari abanyamuryango b'iri torero cyangwa idini gusa. Iki ni ibirori by'ibyishimo ku bantu bose b'Imana.

Toutes les personnes sont les bienvenues et invitées à la fête de la communion !
ਸਾਰੇ ਲੋਕਾਂ ਦਾ ਸਵਾਗਤ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਸੰਗਤੀ ਤਿਉਹਾਰ ਲਈ ਸੱਦਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ!

欢迎所有人参加圣餐节!

We receive communion at stations in the front of the church. You will come forward via the centre aisle to one of the stations to receive a piece of bread and a cup. Partake of these and return to your seat via the side aisles.

성찬을 위한 분병과 분잔은 본당 앞쪽에서 진행됩니다. 성찬에 참여하는 성도님들은 앞으로 나오셔서 개인별로 빵과 컵을 받고 자리로 돌아가시면 됩니다.

Duhabwa ifunguro rya Kiriziya imbere y'urusengero. Uzajya imbere unyuze mu nzira yo hagati ugana kuri imwe muri sitasiyo kugira ngo wakire agace k'umugati n'igikombe. Ubirye hanyuma usubire mu mwanya wawe unyuze mu nzira zo ku ruhande.

Anyone with mobility concerns may simply signal an usher or communion server to be brought the sacrament at your seat. All cups have **non-alcoholic grape juice**, and all bread is **gluten-free**.

거동이 불편한 분들이 계시다면 안내원이나 봉사자들에게 알려주십시오. 자리로 가져다 드리겠습니다. 모든 성찬 포도주는 클로버데일 교회의 관례대로 무알코올 포도주스, 빵은 전통 빵과 글루텐 프리 빵 중 선택하실 수 있도록 함께 제공됩니다.

Umuntu wese ufite ikibazo cyo kugenda ashobora gusa kubwira umushumba cyangwa umushumba w'ifunguro rya nimugoroba ko azanywe isakaramentu ku ntebe yawe. Ibikombe byose birimo umutobe w'imizabibu utari urimo inzoga, kandi umugati wose nta gluten irimo.

MUSIC DURING THE COMMUNION

Tim Bailey

Prayer after Communion 성찬 후의 기도 *Isengesho nyuma yo gusangira*

Many: Blessed are you, Lord our God,
our Father in heaven,
the Rock on which we build,
the Dove alighting on us all.
We airship you and sing our praises,
today and to the end of the age.
Amen.

SENDING 파송

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

*** Hymn 찬송** Indirimbo — “One More Step Along...”

Voices United #639

*** Charge and Benediction 파송과 축도** Umugisha

*** Dismissal 예배로 부름** Kohereza

One: Heaven comes near. Go, share the good news!

Many: Thanks be to God.

*** Postlude 후주** Umuziki nyuma y'iteraniro ryo kuramya

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: Melissa Sturko

ushers/greeters: Muriel Grossman, Ursula Maxwell-Lewis

digital ushers: Daniel Ariss, Taewon Joh

fellowship time hosts: Laurel and Doug Zulke

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 eTransfer@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca), 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.



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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: *“Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.” (Isaiah 55:2)* Isaiah gets to the heart of every stewardship issue – the value of all that we do, all that we have, and how we spend our lives. Being a good steward means choosing things that are physically, spiritually, and mentally healthful for us and others.

Helpful Photo Taking Tips: We love seeing photos from worship, events, gatherings, and other happenings around the life of CUC! Thank you to everyone who takes time to capture and share those moments; it really helps bring our community to life in eNews, website, social media, annual report, and other places.



If you’ve ever wondered what makes a photo really pop, the communications team at one of the congregations Rev. Matt served previously recently put together a quick and helpful guide with some easy tips. It might just turn your next snapshot into a eNews or social media star. You can check it out here: Taking Photos That Share Our Story <https://www.secondfirst.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/GuidelinesPhotographySFC.pdf> (This comes directly from Second First Church in Rockford, Illinois... which was Second Congregational Church UCC when Matt was there as associate pastor from 2006 to 2010, prior to it amalgamating a few years later with the neighbouring First Presbyterian Church to become Second First Church.)

Thanks again for all the great submissions—we truly enjoy seeing our Community of Faith through your photos (especially the ones where we can see your faces!). If you do grab any photos that seem worth sharing with others, send them onward to our office administrator, Lily Lee:

office@cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca. We keep an archive library of photos on our computer system, and so even if your shot doesn't get used for a social media post or eNews feature right away, it could be helpful in putting together a future publication!

Pray

New this week...

- For **Bob**, husband of May, is currently in the hospital with multiple health concerns, and for **May** as she supports Bob during this difficult time.
- For baby **Theodore** remains in the hospital with very little improvement and ongoing medical testing, for **Theodore's family**, that they may have strength, comfort, and hope as they walk through this challenging season.

Ongoing...

- For **Walter**, friend of Christine, and his family as they mourn the recent passing of son **Jamie**.
- For our government leaders here in Canada, as they continue to discern how best to respond to new threats of economically damaging **tariffs**. And for wisdom and reason among government leaders in the United States, as well.
- For all of the people and communities facing **wildfires** and the impacts of wildfire smoke. And for the firefighters, municipal employees, and other people faced with responding to the challenge.
- Renewed prayers for the people of **Iran**, in the face of new military attacks in the US-Iran conflict.
- For **Jordan**, the neighbourhood secondary school student with Lupus who has been back in hospital and on dialysis following the rejection of the partial kidney transplant she received last fall, and for Jordan's family facing a variety of needs arising from this journey.
- For **all those facing the scourge of addiction**, in all its forms, for God to pour out power and help them break the bonds that keep them captive.
- For all those **facing food insecurity or financial hardship**.
- For all those **journeying with dementia, Alzheimer's, and other forms of cognitive decline**, and for strength within those who find themselves as caregivers.
- For those of our congregation who are homebound, incarcerated, in long-term nursing care, or otherwise unable to be with us regularly, including: **Roger, Jean, Lorraine, Pauline, Eileen, Joyce, Gerri, Brenda, and Roy**.
- *Pacific Mountain Regional Council of The United Church of Canada's prayer cycle:*
<https://www.prayercycles.ca/pacificmountain>.
- *World Council of Churches' prayer cycle:*
<https://www.oikoumene.org/resources/prayer-cycle>.

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).

Other news and notes

Camp Activity Day at CUC: All kids are welcome to join us for our **Kids Camp Activity Day on Sunday, August 23.** Whether your child is part of our church family or visiting for the first time, we'd love to have them with us.

Our heart behind this day is to create a place where every child knows they belong. We want children to discover that church is more than just Sunday mornings—it's a community where they can have fun, build lasting friendships, and feel welcomed, valued, and loved.

Come ready for a day filled with exciting games, creative activities, laughter, and connection. We can't wait to spend the day together as we continue building a community where every child feels they truly belong. For more information please reach out to Ross Shearer.



Emancipation Day: Remembering, Honouring, and Committing to Justice August 1 is Emancipation Day in Canada.

It is a day to remember, to reflect, and to honour the resilience, strength, and contributions of people of African descent whose lives and communities were forever shaped by centuries of enslavement.

For more than 400 years, millions of African peoples were captured, forced to migrate, and subjected to horrific treatment under the transatlantic slave trade system. Families were separated. Languages, cultures, and identities were targeted for erasure. More than 15 million people of African descent were affected. This horrific system resulted in the deaths, torture, and abuse of Black peoples, and has had intergenerational effects.

The impacts of enslavement were not limited to distant places or distant history.

People were enslaved in what is now Canada. While enslavement was legally abolished across the British Empire on August 1, 1834, its legacy did not end there. The legacies of enslavement are directly linked to anti-Black racism today.

Emancipation Day invites truth-telling about that history and the current realities of racial injustices.

Continue to read here: <https://united-church.ca/news/moderators-message-emancipation-day-2026>



Threads of Identity: In Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Mamohkamatowin Spiritual Community Inc. is helping Indigenous people reconnect with culture and community through a ribbon skirt-making program. Supported by Mission and Service, the program provides Indigenous participants living in Saskatoon's core neighbourhoods with the materials, tools, and teachings needed to create their own ribbon skirts at no cost.



For many Indigenous women and girls, a ribbon skirt is more than a garment. It is an expression of identity, culture, and belonging, worn during ceremonies, celebrations, and other cultural and spiritual gatherings. For people living on low incomes, the cost of making or purchasing a ribbon skirt can place that expression of identity out of reach.

Participants learn how to use a sewing machine while making a skirt that reflects their own style and story. Alongside the practical sewing skills, they also receive teachings from an Elder, creating opportunities to deepen their understanding of the cultural and spiritual significance of ribbon skirts.

With support from Mission and Service, the program first started in 2024. Since then, community support has made it possible to purchase sewing machines and tables so participants have the tools they need to learn. Our support through Mission and Service helps provide fabric, ribbon, and other materials for each skirt, ensuring that cost to participants does not become a barrier.

The impact has been evident and ongoing. The women who completed the first sessions wear their ribbon skirts with great pride, knowing they had made them with their own hands while learning traditional teachings and connecting with community.

Programs like this reflect our commitment to supporting Indigenous leadership, strengthening community, and creating opportunities for people to reconnect with culture in meaningful ways. By combining practical skills with cultural teachings, Mamohkamatowin Spiritual Community Inc. is helping participants build confidence, celebrate their identities, and carry their traditions forward.

Our gifts through Mission and Service help support Indigenous-led ministries and community programs like this one. Together, we can help ensure more people have opportunities to learn, connect with culture, and participate fully in the traditions and communities that are meaningful to them. Let's give generously.

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.

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