



Mount Royal United Church

"At Mount Royal United Church, our mission is to serve God; living our faith inside and outside these walls and nurturing each individual on their faith journey."

Oct 15th, 2023

* Indicates Standing

Congregational responses in bold.

We Come Together

Prelude

Introit "Rejoice, the Lord is King"

VU#213

Greeting

Lighting the Christ Candle

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: Rejoice in God always! Again, I say rejoice!

All: Rejoice in God's steadfast Love.

One: Rejoice in Christ's enduring Grace.

All: Rejoice in God's inspiring Word.

One: Rejoice in the Spirit's gentle Guidance.

All: Rejoice in God's healing Presence.

One: Rejoice in God always! Again, I say rejoice!

Opening Prayer: (*unison*)

Holy One, this morning we gather in the shelter of Your Love, grateful for the banquet of worship You have prepared for us. Focus our hearts and minds on the beauty of this time, the blessings of our lives, and the fullness of Your Word spoken softly in love and grace. Strengthen us through Your Spirit, that we might hear Your call to be partners with You, as together we weave into this world compassion, inclusion, and care. In the tender name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn: "God Is Here"

VU#389

Personal Prayer: "Don't Be Afraid" x2

MV#90

(Concluding with The Lord's Prayer)

We Listen to the Word

Children's Time

Children's Time Prayer: (repeat after me)

Your Love, Dear God is present, reaching far and wide, and Your Spirit is ever-moving, here to be our guide. As You work within our hearts, we pray that we might be, a message of Your Love and Peace, that sets creation free. Amen.

***Hymn:** "I Can Feel You Near Me God"

MV#48

Prayer for Understanding:

Reader: Kim

Scripture Lesson:

Epistle: Philippians 4: 1-9

Gospel: Luke 14:15-24

Response:

One: This is the Word of God,

All: **light for our living, love for our hearts.**

Sermon "Are You Ready?"

Anthem "The Maker"

Sung by: **Joe Avery**

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn:** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

VU#288

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering

Sung Dedication:

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

VU#541

Offertory Prayer (*unison*)

***Hymn:** "May the God of Hope Go with Us"

VU#424

Closing Blessing (*unison*):

May the God of all Grace attend you; the Love of our Lord Jesus Christ surround you; and the Courage of the Holy Spirit guide you this day and always. Amen.

Extinguishing of the Christ Light

***Choral Benediction** "May God's Sheltering Wings" **MV#214**
Postlude

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Screen operators:

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Ushers: **Oct 15** Eleanor & Ensor **Oct 22** Kim & Kevin

This Week's Events

Tuesday	10:00am	Craft Group	Kitchen
	7:00pm	Church Council	Boardroom
Wednesday	7:00pm	Choir	Sanctuary
Thursday	12:00pm	Lunch with Friends	Church Hall
Friday	5:30pm	Rummage Sale	Church Hall
Saturday	8:00am	Rummage Sale	Church Hall

Mount Royal Announcements:

Lunch with Friends: Oct. 19th @ Noon: Cost: \$7 payable at the lunch
Menu: Pizza (gluten free available), Caesar salad, fruit cup, tea & coffee
Program: Share a funny story/favourite summer moment Sign up at the
back of the church or in the office until Mon. Oct. 16th at 1pm.

United Church Calendars: Would you like to purchase a 2024 United
Church of Canada Calendar? Cost per calendar is \$8. We need to sell 8
more calendars in order to receive free shipping so please let Emily know
via email or call **by Oct. 16th** if you would like to purchase one or a
few! P.s. They make great gifts.

Church Rummage Sale! Oct. 20th 5:30-8pm & Oct. 21st 8-11am.
Have any items to donate? Please drop off items to the church office
from October 16th -19th between 9-2pm. Thank you!!

Halloween Muffin & Coffee Event! Oct 31st from 9:30am - 11:30am!
Join us for this fun, social, good will offering event - we'd love to see you
and catch up over some delicious goodies!

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