



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."

June 11th, 2023 – Loving the Rules

Congregational responses are in **bold**.

(*) Indicates Standing.

We Come Together

Prelude

Introit "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" **VU#315**

Greeting

The Light of Christ

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer: *(unison)*

**O God, we know your restoring love through
the welcome of a stranger, the touch of a friend,
and the gift of healing and wholeness.**

**Make us mindful of your love this day
so we might be restored to you and one another.
Amen.**

***Hymn:** "We are One" **VU#402**

Personal Prayer: "Lord, Listen to Your..." X 2 **VU#400**
(Concluded as we pray together the Lord's Prayer)

Children's Learning Time

Children's Prayer:

Thank you God for opening us up to life filled with fun and joy and thought and action. We are glad that life isn't only about rules but about love. Help us to love so that rules don't ever matter. Amen.

*Hymn: like a child VU#366

We Listen to the Word

Prayer for Illumination: Reader: Lee

Scripture Lessons: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26
Jesus calls and Jesus heals.

Response:

One: This is the Word of God,

All: **thanks be to God for this Holy Word.**

Sermon Loving the Rules

Anthem "Jesus, I love you" By: Joe Avery

Prayers of the People

*Hymn: "I have Called You by Your Name" MV#161

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Prayer: (*unison*)

As you have been with us on so many journeys, as you have gifted us with healing beyond our dreams, as you have transformed us into new people, so we give back to you. Receive our discipleship, take our offerings of ourselves, and consecrate us to your work. Amen.

*Hymn: "One More Step Along the World I Go" VU#639

*Benediction:

God is calling:

go to bring healing.

Go to receive healing.

Go to serve.

Go to be served.

Go to transform the world.

Go to be transformed.

Know that in all your journeying

God goes with you.

We go with God. Amen.

****Extinguishing of the Christ Light***

****Choral Benediction*** "May the Peace of God Be Your Peace"
MV#222

Postlude

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Screen operators for the coming weeks:

June 11 Elizabeth **June 18** Erik **June 25** Elizabeth

Ushers for the coming weeks:

June 11 Marlene & John **June 18** Annie T & John

June 25 Sandra & Gill

This Week's Events

Monday	9:30am	Tai Chi	
Tuesday	10:00am	Craft Group	Church Hall
	11:30am	UCW Meeting	Boardroom
Wednesday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
Friday	9:30am	Tai Chi	Church Hall
Saturday	10:30am	Celebration of Life – Florence Dobson	Sanctuary

Food donations: We collect food items for the Alimentaire Peter McKee food bank. Drop off in the bin at the Bessborough door.

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