



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."

January 16th, 2022 – Second Sunday in Epiphany

Congregational responses in bold.

We Come Together

Prelude... *(this is an opportunity for us to appreciate the gift of music and prepare our hearts for worship)*

Greeting

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Land Acknowledgement

Minute For Mission

Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: In this Epiphany time, we will not keep silent, we will not rest,

All: for Jesus, our friend and God, walks among us,

One: as light for our path and love for our hearts.

All: We celebrate his ministry in and through us.

One: We celebrate the joy of our everyday living.

All: In you, O God, we find our delight.

One: Let praise be on our lips as we rejoice in your presence.

All: Inspire us, O God, as we offer to you, our worship.

Opening Prayer:

Loving Lord, with open minds and open hearts, we come before you in thanksgiving. For you have shared tremendous news with us: news of Jesus' birth, news of his baptism, news so incredible that it cannot be contained. We bring together now all that we are and all you have called us to become, in sharing and celebrating Emmanuel— You

with us. As we worship this day, bless us with Jesus' Spirit of celebration as we grow in faith, drawing ever closer to you. In the name and in the Spirit of Jesus we pray, Amen.

Hymn: "Arise, Your Light Is Come" **VU#79**

Personal Prayer "Send Your Holy Spirit" x2 **VU#370**
(concluded as we pray together the Lord's Prayer)

We Listen to the Word

Children's Time

Children's Time Prayer: Today, dear God, you walk with us, and we celebrate your light. A light that shines all around, creating a world which is bright. Help us today and everyday to take a moment to wait, that we may see you in everything and through you find what is great. Amen.

Hymn: "The First Nowell" **VU#91**

Prayer for Understanding **Reader:** France Henriques

Scripture Reading: John 2: 1-11

One: This is the ministry of Christ,

All: **light to our hearts and joy to our lives.**

Sermon "Our Everyday God"

Anthem "Sing till Sundown" **Choir**

Prayers of the People

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering: Within this season of Epiphany, we have reason to celebrate as we explore the great mystery of God among us in the everyday experiences of life. We respond to that love now by offering back to God the gift of our lives, our passions, our resources, and our faithful discipleship, that all of creation may rejoice and come to know the joy which only Christ can bring.

Offertory Prayer (unison):

God of all Light and Love, in our offering this day we dedicate ourselves once more to you: our time and talents, our energy, and resources, to share in the good news of God's life present within our own. Help us to use all that we are and all that we may become to continue Jesus' story and our shared ministry together. Bless each gift and each giver. In your Holy name, we pray. Amen.

Hymn: "O Radiant Christ, Incarnate Word" **VU#84**

Blessing: As we leave this space, moving into our week ahead, go forward in celebration knowing the Love of God surrounds you, the Spirit of God leads you and the Friendship of God walks beside you this day and every day. **Amen.**

Extinguishing of the Christ Candle

Postlude

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Announcements

Grocery cards are available for sale. Call Terry 388-4887 or office.