



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."

July 31st, 2022 – Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Congregational responses in bold.

(*) Indicates Standing.

We Come Together

Prelude

Greeting

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Call to Worship:

One: The Spirit is here,

All: inviting us to worship.

One: The Spirit is here,

All: in each of our lives.

One: The Spirit is here,

All: in our gathered community.

One: The Spirit is here,

**All: Guiding us in the ways of love, peace,
fellowship, and worship!**

Opening Prayer: *(unison)*

God of Light and Love, You take delight in Your creation. As we gather in worship this morning, ignite our spirits with Your love, illumine our minds with the truth of Your Word and inspire our hearts to seek Your treasure alone. Wealthy in the Spirit then, may we offer out into this world more of what You hope and dream, for all Your

beloved children. Journey with us and through us, in the precious name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

***Hymn:** "The Church's One Foundation" **VU#331**

Personal Prayer: "Cradle Me in Your Arms" **MV#91**

(Concluded as we pray together the Lord's Prayer)

Children's Learning Time

Children's Prayer:

We thank You, God, for Your love that reaches every heart, and pray we might share that love keeping none apart. You have blessed us with many gifts, so let us freely share, the love that is always with us, around us, reminding us that You care. Amen.

***Hymn:** "Deep in Our Hearts" **MV#154**

We Listen to the Word

Prayer for Understanding

Reader: Penny McIntyre

Scripture Lesson: Luke 12: 12-21

One: This is the Word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God for this wondrous Word!**

Sermon "Dividing or Uniting?"

Anthem "His Eye Is on the Sparrow" by Charles H. Gabriel

Prayers of the People

We Respond to the Word

Invitation to the Offering:

Offertory Prayer: *(unison)*

We sing your praises, O God, for your love is sure and true, your faithfulness is never ending. You satisfy the thirsty and fill the hungry with good things. Receive the offering we bring before You this day, that these gifts may continue Your work of tending the needy, providing hope

**for the downtrodden, and blessing those who live in want.
In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

***Hymn:** "To Show by Touch and Word" **VU#427**

Blessing: *(unison)*

**May the God of Hope move with you into this week,
The Son of Peace reside in your hearts,
And the Spirit of Joy bless you
as you become a blessing to others. Amen.**

Extinguishing the Christ Candle

Postlude

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Office Hours: **The church office is closed August 1-19.**

Tuesday	10:00am	Craft Group	Church Lawn or Kitchen
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Screen operators for the coming weeks:

July 31 Esther, **Sep 4** Elizabeth, **Sep 11** Erik, **Sep 18** Debbie

Sound/Prompter operators for the coming weeks:

July 31 Stephen, **Sep 4** Tracy, **Sep 11** Stephen, **Sep 18** Tracy

"I Wonder" Box - Do you wonder why something is in the Bible?
How to put faith into action? Do you have an idea or dream to
share? There is now an "I Wonder" box at the back of the church
for those burning questions, bright ideas or unsolved mysteries.
Simply write it down on a slip of paper and place it in the box.