

MOUNTAIN VIEW UNITED CHURCH

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World Communion Sunday - October 6th, 2024

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Prelude/Gathering Music

God is good, **all the time...** all the time, **God is good.**

Words of Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Song Come All You People MV#2

**Come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
Come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
Come now and worship the Lord.**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Our creator gifted us the breath of life, our redeemer has granted us living waters, and the sustainer has gifted us with the flames of the Spirit. Let us rejoice in thanksgiving for the generosity of our God.

[Light the Christ Candle]

1.

Call to Worship

Today, we come together to feast upon the Word of God.

Let us be satisfied with the bounty that is the Gospel.

Today, we gather to quench our thirst for Life Eternal.

Let us be satisfied with the endless well of Living Waters.

Today, we come to communion, we encounter the Body and Blood of our Lord

Let us rejoice in our New Covenant, for we are blessed by God's grace.

Hymn All Who Hunger VU#460

**All who hunger, gather gladly;
holy manna is our bread.**

Come from wilderness and wandering.

Here, in truth, we will be fed.

**You that yearn for days of fullness,
all around us is our food.**

Taste and see the grace eternal.

Taste and see that God is good.

**All who hunger, never strangers;
seeker, be a welcome guest.**

Come from restlessness and roaming.

Here, in joy, we keep the feast.

**We that once were lost and scattered
in communion's love have stood.**

Taste and see the grace eternal.

Taste and see that God is good.

**All who hunger, sing together;
Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing.
Here, in peace, we have been led.
Blest are those who from this table
live their lives in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal.
Taste and see that God is good.**

Opening Prayer

Lord, around the world, sisters and brothers of the Kingdom, come to be nourished by the bread of life and the cup of blessing. They come to be fed by what only comes from You. Prepare our hearts, this day, and let our worship sanctify us as one body, one church, one united people. Amen.

Children come forward during the signing of this song

Children's Gathering Song – Like a Rock MV#92

**Like a rock, like a rock, God is under our feet.
Like the starry night sky, God is over our head.
Like the sun on the horizon, God is ever before.
Like the river runs to ocean,
our home is in God evermore.**

Presentation for Mark and Janet Lloyd

Ministry of Music “A River To My Soul” Choir

Prayer of Confession

Lord, bring us close to Your wisdom. Help us to understand Your glory, helping us to let go of the reigns of our lives, and rejoice in passing our lives unto You. Help us forgo doubt, fear, anxiety, desire, and sin, and lead us into righteous and boundless joy.

(Silence for private prayer)

Words of Assurance

Scripture readings:

Psalm 89:1-15 read by Janet Lloyd

Matthew 26:17-30 read by Rev. Shaw

Message

Hymn Let Us Break Bread Together VU#480

**Let us break bread together on our knees,
let us break bread together on our knees.**

**When I fall down on my knees
with my face to the rising sun,
Oh, Lord, have mercy on me.**

**Let us drink wine together on our knees,
let us drink wine together on our knees. R**

**Let us praise God together on our knees,
let us praise God together on our knees. R**

Communion Sacrament of Communion
For World Communion Sunday

Invitation

Because there is one bread,
we who are many are one body,
for we all partake of the one bread.

In Christ, God breaks down the walls
that make us strangers to ourselves,
and divide us from one another.

We are the body of Christ.

At this table we bear witness to our faith.

**At this table, God brings wholeness out of
brokenness,
and healing to our world.**

Let us break bread together.

I Corinthians 10:17

Call to Give Thanks

The Spirit of God be with you.

And also with you.

Turn to God, the source of life.

We lift our hearts in prayer.

Let us give thanks.

We offer joyful thanks to God.

Thanksgiving

Eternal God, Maker of heaven and earth,
we join with all your people to give you thanks and
praise. You formed the universe in your wisdom
and created all things by your grace.

We praise you for all your good gifts:

the witness of saints and prophets;

the work of faithful women and men;

this earth in all its blessing and promise;

and this bread, once scattered,

now brought together and made one.

In the hope that your people

may be brought together from the ends of the earth

into your reign of justice and compassion,

we gather with those of every time and every place

to give you praise and glory:

Song of Creation

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Remembering Jesus at Table

Let us remember together that vision of God's reign shown to us in Jesus at table:

he shared food with followers and friends,
with saints and sinners,

with crowds of thousands on the hillside,
and a few friends in an upper room.

**On the night before he died, he had supper with
his companions.**

He took a loaf of bread, and after giving thanks,
he broke it, and gave it to them, saying:

“Take, eat. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then, he took a cup, and after giving thanks,
he passed it among them, saying:

“Drink this. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Through this loaf and cup, Jesus lives within us.

In word and deed, Jesus lives among us.

Prayer of Self-Giving

Eternal God, we unite in this covenant of faith, as we
break bread and share the cup, giving thanks for your
love in Jesus, the Christ.

We spread your table with these gifts of the earth and of
our labour. We present to you our very lives, committed
to your service on behalf of all people.

7.

Affirmation of Memory and Hope

[According to his commandment:]

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

Prayer of Transformation

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your church,

that we who eat and drink at Christ's table may share in his life.

Pour out your Spirit upon the whole earth,

and make it your new creation.

Gather your church together from the ends of the earth into your realm where peace and justice are revealed—

that we, with all your people, of every language, race,

and nation, may share the banquet you have promised.

Concluding Praise

Praise be to God, the Source of love!

Praise be to Christ, Love incarnate!

Praise be to the Spirit, Love's power!

Praise be to God!

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Breaking the Bread and Filling the Cup

The body of Christ.

Thanks be to God for the bread of life.

The blood of Christ.

Thanks be to God for the cup of blessing.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer after Communion

Eternal and gracious One, though we live in a world of need,

here we have tasted your goodness and hungered for a world more just.

Though afflicted by brokenness and division,

here we have heard your call to be a people of healing community.

Though daily we touch our limits,

here we have received the fullness of your grace.

Send us forth, O God,

in faith, in hope, and in love. Amen.

8.

Invitation to Share Offering

Offertory Hymn: Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given.

Jesus Christ His Son

And now let the weak say I am strong

Let the poor say I am rich.

Because of what the Lord has done for us.

Prayers of the People

Offertory, Personal Prayers

Hymn Sent Forth by God's Blessing

VU#481

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,

**the people of God from this dwelling take leave.
The supper is ended, O now be extended
the fruits of this service in all who believe.
The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching,
shall blossom in action for God and for all.
God's grace did invite us, God's love shall unite us
to work for the kingdom and answer its call.**

**With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,
the tasks of our everyday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
embracing God's children of each tribe and race.
With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead
us; unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
give honour to Christ and the name that we bear.**

9.

Benediction

We have been fed, nourished, renewed by God.

**Let us go out knowing in our hearts,
that our God is good!**

Sung Benediction: May the God of Hope Go with Us VU424

**May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.**

**May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.**

**Praying, let us work for peace,
singing, share our joy with all,
working for a world that's new,**

faithful when we hear Christ's call.

**May the God of healing free the earth from fear,
freeing us for peace, both treasured and pursued.
May the God of love keep our commitment clear
to a world restored, to human life renewed. R**

Postlude † † † † † † † † † † † † † † †

**Join us for a light lunch as we celebrate the gifts of
Mark and Janet Lloyd.**

10.

Upcoming Events & Announcements

**Apple Pie Sales: October 5th & 19th. Sign up sheets
for volunteers and pie orders for October 19th are in
the narthex.**

**Today: Join us in the church hall for a time of
fellowship with Mark & Janet Lloyd.**

**Tuesday, Oct 8th -Bible Study 1:00 p.m. Parlour
Wednesday- Oct 9th–Scrapbooking 9-11 a.m.
Boardroom**

Oct. 22nd – JJ says “Thanks for Coming” Concert here at Mountain View, 7:00 p.m. Tickets \$10.00. Available in the church office.

Oct. 22nd – Fr. Ray Kelly, the singing priest from Ireland, songs and stories that celebrate hope, love, and joy. Tickets at riverviewartscentre.ca or call 506-852-7189 or at the box office at 400 Whitepine Rd., Riverview.

Fall Fair Nov. 9th- Items needed for Silent Auction (letters for businesses are on the table in the narthex, also needed baking, pickles & fudge, breads, jams & jellies, Attic Treasures, Christmas items, crafts, books, CD's, DVD's puzzles & games, jewelry, plants, scarves & purses.

11.

Because we were asked, please note that we do not pass a collection plate at Mountain View but if you wish you are welcome to leave a donation on the plate found at the back of the Sanctuary.

If you can, people whose last name begins with A - F, please bring one dozen cookies, squares, or muffins on October 20 that can be put out for Coffee and Conversation. Thank you for your help!

There is a full choir sound rehearsal at St. Paul's on Thursday, Nov. 28th at 7 pm. *A United Christmas*

Celebration will take place at St. Paul's (404) Cleveland) on **Sunday Dec. 1, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.** You do *NOT* have to contribute a song to come and enjoy this celebration. We hope to gather as many folks from our United Church family as possible.

12.

Psalm 89:1-15

- ¹ I will sing of the LORD's great love forever;
with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known
through all generations.
- ² I will declare that your love stands firm forever,
that you have established your faithfulness in heaven itself.
- ³ You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one,
I have sworn to David my servant,
- ⁴ "I will establish your line forever
and make your throne firm through all generations.
- ⁵ The heavens praise your wonders, LORD,
your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones.
- ⁶ For who in the skies above can compare with the LORD?

- Who is like the LORD among the heavenly beings?
⁷ In the council of the holy ones God is greatly feared;
he is more awesome than all who surround him.
⁸ Who is like you, LORD God Almighty?
You, LORD, are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you.
⁹ You rule over the surging sea;
when its waves mount up, you still them.
¹⁰ You crushed Rahab like one of the slain;
with your strong arm you scattered your enemies.
¹¹ The heavens are yours, and yours also the earth;
you founded the world and all that is in it.
¹² You created the north and the south;
Tabor and Hermon sing for joy at your name.
¹³ Your arm is endowed with power;
your hand is strong, your right hand exalted.
¹⁴ Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;
love and faithfulness go before you.
¹⁵ Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you,
who walk in the light of your presence, LORD.

The Last Supper

Matthew 26:17-30

- ¹⁷ On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, the disciples came to Jesus and asked, “Where do you want us to make preparations for you to eat the Passover?”
¹⁸ He replied, “Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, ‘The Teacher says: My appointed time is near. I am going to celebrate the Passover with my disciples at your house.’”
¹⁹ So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them and prepared the Passover.
²⁰ When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve.
²¹ And while they were eating, he said, “Truly I tell you, one of you

will betray me.”

²² They were very sad and began to say to him one after the other, “Surely you don’t mean me, Lord?”

²³ Jesus replied, “The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me.

²⁴ The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born.”

²⁵ Then Judas, the one who would betray him, said, “Surely you don’t mean me, Rabbi?” Jesus answered, “You have said so.”

²⁶ While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body.”

²⁷ Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you.

²⁸ This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

²⁹ I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father’s kingdom.”

³⁰ When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.