



Merging Waters Pastoral
Charge
Sunday Morning Worship

ALL SAINTS
DAY

October 31st, 2021
23rd Sunday After Pentecost

WELCOME/BIENVENUE

People of all ages, identities, and walks of life
are welcome.

Wherever you are, whoever you are,
we welcome you in love and
community to worship.

Wherever we are, we're close in
one another's hearts.

*Toutes et tous sont bienvenus, peu importe l'âge,
l'identité ou les conditions de vie.*

*Peu importe où que vous soyez, qui
que vous soyez, nous vous accueillons dans
l'amour et la communauté pour
louer Dieu ensemble.*

Notre amour n'est jamais limité par la distance

LIFE AND WORK OF THE PEOPLE



BOLD text for congregational response – please note, as we will be engaging gently in responsive liturgy and singing all are asked to remain seated and masked, keeping bubbles 2 meters apart during the service.

ACKNOWLEDGING TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

We acknowledge the lands our churches and many of homes sit on have been stewarded by the first peoples of Turtle Island, among them the Kanien'kehá:ka, "Mohawk" peoples, as well as nations of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, the neighbouring Huron-Wendat, Anishinaabeg, and Abenaki peoples. We commit ourselves as a faith community to the multi-generational work of reconciliation and the pursuit of true justice and flourishing wellbeing for all peoples who now call Canada home.

MUSICAL CENTERING

Nocturne Op.72, No.1

Frederic Chopin

WALKING IN THE LIGHT

light a candle at home if it is safe to do so

CELEBRATING THE RAINBOW



SPIRITUAL FOCUS

See how God loves us!

God loves us enough to swallow up death forever.

See how Christ loves us!

Christ loves us enough to share our loss and grief.

See how the Spirit loves us!

The Holy Spirit loves us enough to offer us words of hope we can trust.

SILENT REFLECTION

PRAYER OF APPROACH

We come from our houses, townhouses, fields, apartments, and residences. Online and in-person we come and celebrate the ministry of Christ's church in this place. We come, Gracious God, following the footsteps of Jesus, just as our forebears did. We remember the people of all genders and all ages who have gathered in this place, sat in these pews, and marvelled at the beauty and generosity that surrounds us. We gather in the company of the saints. We honour the faith that has been handed down through the decades. For this faith and those who shared it, praise be to you, O God! Amen.

GOSPEL

John 11:32-44

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

APPLICATION FOR TODAY

Saint You



OFFERING

We offer our prayer, time, talent, reflections, and resources

If you are not on [pre-authorized remittance \(PAR\)](#) and want to continue to support Merging Waters please click these links, or those provided on the site to give to:

[Union Church](#) or [Beaurepaire United](#) through [CanadaHelps.org](#)

MUSICAL OFFERING

Angel On the Roof

words and music by Angie Tysseland
vocals by Bonnie and Eric Norris and Patti Murphy

ACT OF COMMEMORATION

We lift up those who have died

O God, with whom live the souls of the righteous,
we lift praise to you for the great cloud of witnesses
by whom we are surrounded,
the saints in every age who have loved you in life,
and continued faithful unto death;
Your servants who have departed in the faith
and are at rest with you.
We especially lift our blessings to you for the lives and witness
of those who have shared our journey
and have died in the past year
whom we now remember with You.

**For all of your loving kindness towards them
throughout their earthly life,
and all you have accomplished through them,
we lift our thanks to you. Amen.**

(A Time of Remembrance)

Loving God, you are our companion in life, our guardian in death,
you are always with us.

**Grant us the deep peace that death is overcome by love
and that because Christ lives, we will live also.**

O God, you arrange us in families and give us friends for companionship.

**We acknowledge our gratitude for all of our precious ones
who have died.**

**We take comfort in the love,
blessings and friendship
we have shared with them in life.**

The deep peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep our hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God, and of the Son Jesus Christ our brother and Lord;

**and the blessing of God Almighty,
the Creator, the Christ, and the Spirit,
be upon us and remain with us always. Amen.**



**For all the saints, who from their labours rest,
all who by faith before the world confessed,
your name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Hallelujah, hallelujah!**

**Give thanks for those who made their life a light
caught from the Christ-flame, bursting through the night,
who touched the truth, who burned for what is right,
Hallelujah, hallelujah!**

**Give thanks for hope, that like the wheat, the grain
lying in darkness does its life retain,
in resurrection to grow green again,
Hallelujah, hallelujah!**

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father/Mother/Creator, in heaven,
holy is your name.
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done
on Earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen**

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

MUSICAL SENDING

When the Saints Go Marching In

Spiritual arranged for piano by Michael Woytiuk

~ Thank you to for joining us today ~



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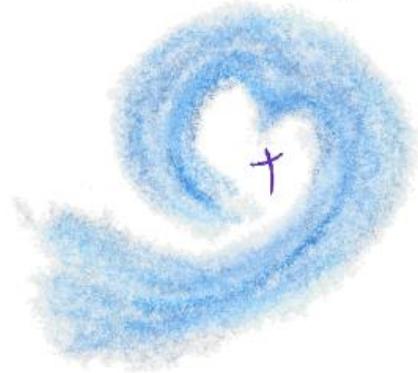
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*Welcome Grace Service Love
Community*

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UPCOMING SERVICES at 10:30 a.m.

Oct 31st.	All Saints Day
Nov 7th.	The Sunday of Peace – 24 th Sunday of Pentecost (online only)
Nov 14th.	Stewardship Sunday
Nov 21st.	Reign of Christ
Nov 28th.	Advent 1 – Hope
Dec 5th.	Advent 2 – Peace/Human Rights Sunday (online only)
Dec 12th.	Advent 3 – Joy Sunday
Dec 19th.	Advent 4 – Love Sunday
Dec 24th.	Christmas Eve 8 pm service

Currently we are alternating between in person and online worship
First Sunday of the Month is online only
all other weeks are both in-person at 24 Maple, Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue and online.
Please consult the website and weekly announcements for details and links

**www.mergingwaters.ca/Worship-online
Download the Zoom App at zoom.us/download**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH CAFÉ returns with a blast of autumn air
Join Engaging Discussions and
Visits with neighbours
Hosted by with Rev. Ryan

Every Friday
On ZOOM @ 2 pm
see www.mergingwaters.ca
and the mid-week message for weekly updates



Pay It Forward

Canadians are receiving COVID vaccines, people in many other parts of the world have no way to get them.

Your gift of 25\$ will provide a complete COVID-19 vaccination to one person in a country where vaccines are in short supply.

<https://giftswithvision.ca/collections/featured/products/pay-it-forward>

Lynn Thompson – is selling glorious handmade cards featuring origami decorations using assorted papers. The cards are \$2.00 each and all proceeds go to Union Church. Anyone interested in ordering cards can reach Lynn by phone (450-218-6131) or email (lynnathompson3@icloud.com) and arrangements can be made for pickup or delivery.



EMERGENCY AID FOR HAITI

On the morning of **Saturday, August 14**, Haiti was struck by a severe earthquake. The extent of the damage is still unclear. Haitians and the international community are working hard to rescue people trapped under the rubble. But the number of deaths is rising. Many homes and community buildings have been destroyed. Hospitals have also been damaged, and acutely injured and traumatized people are struggling to find help. And what's more, Tropical Storm Grace hit Haiti on August 16, making an already bad situation worse.

The United Church of Canada is in contact with Mission & Service partners in Haiti to find out how we can support their communities. Today, people in Haiti need emergency shelter, clean water, and food.

Earthquake in Haiti | The United Church of Canada (united-church.ca)

COP26 begins Oct 31st – please lift up prayers and speak out for change

Details about these happenings and more in the mid-week message

Which you can find on our website www.mergingwaters.ca
click on the Stay Up-to-Date tab then on Mid-Week Message