



Merging Waters Pastoral Charge Sunday Morning Worship

With My Whole Heart...

Thank You!

5th Sunday After Epiphany

February 13th, 2022

Rev. Ryan Fea presiding

Michael Woytiuk Ministry of Music

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

GREETING

God is good
all the time.

All the time
God is Good.

LIFE AND WORK OF THE PEOPLE

BOLD print indicates an invitation for congregational response and participation

ACKNOWLEDGING TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

We acknowledge that the lands our churches and many of our 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, the pursuit of true justice and flourishing well-being for all peoples who now call Canada home.

THE LIGHT AT OUR CORE

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

God is here
all the time.

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MUSICAL CENTERING

A Time For Love

music by Johnny Mandel, lyrics by Paul Webster
piano arrangement by Bill Evans

A time for summer skies
For hummingbirds and butterflies
For tender words that harmonize with love
A time for climbing hills
For leaning out of window sills
Admiring daffodils above
A time for holding hands together
A time for rainbow colored weather
A time of make believe that we've been dreaming of
As time goes drifting by
The willow bends and so do I
But all my friends whatever skies above
I know a time for spring
A time for fall
But best of all
A time for love
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SPIRITUAL FOCUS

To God,

I will sing.

Passionately. Unapologetically. Free.

I will sing.

For the Spirit, is here. All the time.

I will sing.

As time flows in the endless cycle of the cosmos,
as this morning's dawn rakes across the horizon of deep darkness,

I will sing.

As the green blade rises from the root of all life,
as life emerges from the dark mystery of Mother's womb,

I will sing.

As I try to hold onto you, you dance well beyond my reach.
As I call, your name answers from the foundation of my being.

I will sing. From my whole heart I will sing your praise,
for we are the work of your hands.

Let us worship.



PRAYER OF APPROACH

Holy One and One in three, the chickadee sings and the chickadee knows you, in whose glory life is bestowed.

Spirit God, the gale wind unsettles and the gale wind knows you, in whose breath life is bestowed.

Living God, the mustard seed sprouts and the mustard seed knows you, in whose kin-dom life is bestowed.

Enduring God, the oak tree rises, the oak tree knows you, in whose care life is bestowed.

God with us, the children see and the children know you, in whose mystery life is bestowed.

In the works of our hands, may we also show that written on our hearts, your name lives and your name grows. May it be so. Amen

HYMN VOICES UNITED 374

Come And Find The Quiet Centre

**Come and find the quiet centre
in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter,
find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter,
clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter,
be at peace, and simply be.**

**Silence is a friend who claims us,
cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us,
knows our being, face to face,
making space within our thinking,
lifting shades to show the sun,
raising courage when we're shrinking,
finding scope for faith begun.**

**In the Spirit let us travel,
open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel,
celebrate the space we gain:
there's a place for deepest dreaming,
there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming
there is always room to spare!**

RECOGNITION OF BROKENNESS AND RECONCILIATION

Eternal and Ever Present One, you are beyond us and before us. You are as familiar as the palm of our hand and beyond our complete understanding. Forgive us when instead of leaning into your wild ways, we limit one another through tamer imitations of life. Forgive our need to confine and control our human siblings into prisons we have made for one another: worthy/worthless, insider/outsider, saved/damned. Liberating Spirit, unsettle us with your extreme grace, that we would venture into the wilds of your redeeming and reconciling love, trusting the mystery that will always be both within and beyond us. In Christ's name, we ask it.



SILENCE IS KEPT

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

EXPLORING THE EPIPHANY BOX

HYMN VOICES UNITED 578

As A Fire Is Meant For Burning

**As a fire is meant for burning with a bright and warming flame,
so the church is meant for mission, giving glory to God's name.
Not to preach our creeds or customs, but to build a bridge of care,
we join hands across the nations, finding neighbours everywhere.**

**We are learners, we are teachers; we are pilgrims on the way;
We are seekers; we are givers; we are vessels made of clay.
By our gentle, loving actions, we would show that Christ is light.
In a humble, listening Spirit, We would live to God's delight.**

**As a green bud in the springtime is a sign of life renewed,
so may we be signs of oneness mid earth's peoples, many-hued.
As a rainbow lights the heavens when a storm is past and gone,
may our lives reflect the radiance of God's new and glorious dawn.**

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 138

With all my heart I praise you, GOD. In the presence of angels I sing your praises. I worship at your holy temple and praise you for your love and your faithfulness. You were true to your word and made yourself more famous than ever before. When I asked for your help, you answered my prayer and gave me courage. All kings on this earth have heard your promises, GREAT SPIRIT, and they will praise you. You are so famous that they will sing about the things you have done. Though you are above us all, you care for humble people, and you keep a close watch on everyone who is proud. I am surrounded by trouble, but you protect me against my angry enemies. With your own powerful arm you keep me safe. You, LIVING GOD, will always treat me with kindness. Your love never fails. You have made us what we are. Don't give up on us now!

APPLICATION FOR TODAY

With My Whole Heart...Thank 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

The Blessing

by Brendan Graham and David Downes
sung by Myrna Moffat

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

You are the Source of everything we have, all that we are, and all that we will become. We offer everything we have received to you, in praise and thanksgiving. Giving for the sake of our human siblings, our planet, and our future, we make our offering. Now take all that we offer, God, and bless and yield these gifts a hundredfold, that when the voice of your people cries out, the call to be church would be our answer. In Jesus' name, we ask it. Amen.



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**

HYMN VOICES UNITED 691

Though Ancient Walls

**Though ancient walls may still stand proud
and racial strife be fact,
though boundaries may be lines of hate,
proclaim God's saving act.**

Refrain: **Walls that divide are broken down;
Christ is our unity!
Chains that enslave are thrown aside;
Christ is our liberty!**

**When vested power stands firm entrenched
And breaks another's back,
When waste and want live side by side,
It's Gospel that we lack. R**

**The truth we seek in varied scheme,
The life that we pursue,
Unites us in a common quest
For self and world made new. R**

**The church divided seeks that grace,
that new-ness we pro-claim;
a unity of serving love
that lives praise to God's name! R**

**This broken world seeks lasting health
and vital unity.
God's people by God's Word renewed,
Cast off all slavery! R**



SENDING FORTH

Rise. Rise in the glory of the One who calls you and I to be church,
to be the living echo of the first Word,
to be enduring love made flesh,
**to be committed with our whole heart, a living testament of generous love
and justice come on earth.**
In the works of our hands,
in the song that fills our lungs,
In the praise that carries us home, rise!
We rise in the glory of the one who calls us to be the church. Amen.

BENEDICTION

MUSICAL SENDING

The Glory of Love

by Billy Hill
sung by Wendy Hamel

~ Thank you for joining us today ~

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Welcome Grace Service Love
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UPCOMING SERVICES at 10:30 a.m.

Feb 13 th	5 th Sunday After Epiphany – With My Whole Heart... Thank You!
Feb 20 th	6 th Sunday After Epiphany – Preacher Lisa Byer-de Wever
Feb 27 th	Transfiguration Sunday – Fishing So That Others May Have A Meal Worship lifting up Black History Month
Mar 2 nd .	Ash Wednesday – 5 pm Outdoor Service
Mar 6 th .	Lent 1

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

Beaurepaire United Church Annual General Meeting

All members and adherents of Beaurepaire United Church are called to the Annual General Meeting to be held on Feb 27th, 2022

This meeting will be held live on ZOOM immediately following Worship which will be online that day live on ZOOM

(worship begins as usual at 10:30 am).

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82650277743>

CHURCH CAFÉ Will be on hiatus Feb 18th, 2022 returning Feb 25th, 2022 at 3 pm. Details and link at www.mergingwaters.ca

Rev. Ryan will be on leave the week of Feb. 15th to 20th, in the event of a pastoral emergency please contact the church office and you will be connected with support.



Shrove Tuesday - March 1st this year will once again be held on **ZOOM**.

Join us at 6:30 p.m. for an evening of

food,

friendship,

faith,

fun,

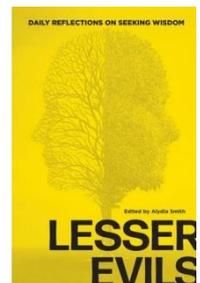
followed by fun fact trivia.

ZOOM details to be included next week along with recipe ideas.

Ash Wednesday Outdoor Service – Merging Waters begins our Lenten Journey in a service of prayer and song, light and darkness Wednesday March 2nd at 5 pm for a service of Sunset and Ashes on the main walk of Beaurepaire United Church. In the event of inclement weather the service will move online to be announced in the days before the service.

Lenten Journey of Reflection – Lent is a time to engage and explore our relationship with God and with the world. Merging Waters will be joining with Beaconsfield and Riverside United Churches as we walk through the 40 days of Lent together.

Join in an engagement with Lesser Evils a resource of daily reflections for Lent. Participants will be encouraged to follow the daily study and reflection individually and join in a weekly discussion with members of the community led by Rev. Ryan Fea, Rev. Helen Hliaras, Rev. Shaun Fryday, and ministry students Bailey Eastwood, and Cynthia Reynolds.



The book can be purchased through United Church Resource Distribution <https://ucrdstore.ca/search?type=product&q=lesser+evils> where hard copies and e-pub versions are available. There are also hard copies available to buy that have been ordered in advance. To register please email Cynthia at: riversideunitedchurch@hotmail.com

Discussion times Thursdays at 7 pm on ZOOM from March 10th to April 7th, Wednesday April 14th 7 pm, and Saturday April 16th at a time to be determined by participants.

Merging Waters Pastoral Charge is a Community that Cares – Our Pastoral Care team is there to help you with your concerns. **Ivy Lewis** Union Pastoral Care Chair: lewisir@hotmail.com and for Beaurepaire United, the co-Coordinating team of **Diane Nener**: dianenener@icloud.com; & **Wendy Hamel**: wendyandrewadam@yahoo.ca

We also have a Prayer Circle made up of members from both Union and Beaurepaire. If you have **prayer requests**, please contact lewisir@hotmail.com