

~ 7th Sunday of Easter | May 24, 2020 ~

Minister: Rev. Lori Megley-Best | Musician: Sharon Lauzé
Children and Youth Leader: Robyn Garland

We Gather

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

We give thanks for our ministry. / Thanks be to God.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn: * VU 158 – Christ Is Alive (vs. 1,4,5)

- ① **Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.**
- ④ **Women and men, in age and youth, can feel the Spirit, hear the call,
and find the way, the life, the truth,
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.**
- ⑤ **Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love and praise.**

The Passing of the Peace

May the Peace of Christ be with you. / And also with you.

* **Korean: Christo-ui pyoung-hwa-ga dahng-sin-gwa hahm-keh ha-shi-giril.**
(그리스도의 평화가 당신과 함께 하시기를)

Sharing the Peace (in breakout groups)

What is one joy and challenge in your life right now?

Praying a Scripture for Comfort: **Isaiah 40:28-31** (NIV) (Reader: Doug Zulke)
Do you not know?

Have you not heard?

*The Lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.*

*He will not grow tired or weary,
and his understanding no one can fathom.*

*He gives strength to the weary
and increases the power of the weak.*

*Even youths grow tired and weary,
and young men stumble and fall;*

*but those who hope in the Lord
will renew their strength.*

*They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint.*

Time for Contemplating God's Words

Hymn: * VU 808 – On Eagle's Wings (vs. 1)

**You who dwell in the shelter of our God, who abide in this shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge, my Rock in whom I trust."**

**And I will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of my hand.**

Gathering Time

Hymn: * The Spirit in Me

**The spirit in me greets the spirit in you, Alleluia.
God's in us and we're in God, Alleluia.**

(Rainbow Songbook #51, ©1972 Desert Flower Music)

We Hear Good News

Scripture Reading in Korean: **John 14:15-21**

(Reader: Taewon Joh)

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'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.'

(This is a story of our faith. / Thanks be to God.)

Sermon

Time for Silence

Hymn: * Love the Lord Your God

Love the Lord your God with all your heart.

Love the Lord your God with all your soul.

Love the Lord your God with all your mind.

Love the Lord your God with all you that you are.

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We Respond

Offering

Offering Prayer

God of new life,

**As we watch and wait for signs of the Risen Christ,
we offer these gifts to you. We give our offering hopefully:
hoping that you can use these gifts, hoping that they will spread your love,
hoping that your kingdom will come. Your kingdom, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

*Sung Response: * MV 196 – We Will Take What You Offer

We will take what you offer, we will live by your word;

We will love one another and be fed by you, Lord.

We will take what you offer, we will live by your word:

We will love one another and be fed by you, Lord.

We Feast at God's Table

Invitation

Greeting

*God be with you. / **And also with you.***

*Lift up your hearts. / **We lift them up to God.***

*Let us give thanks to God. / **It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Sanctus: * VU 951 – Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!

My heart is glad to say the words:

You are holy, God!

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,
thy 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 Thine is the
Kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing the Elements

Sharing of the Meal

Prayer after Communion

Loving and gracious God,

**Thank you for this holy meal and that we experience the Risen Christ in us
as we share in it. Thank you for Jesus Christ and all the ways he lived and
lives Love into the world. As we leave this table, we celebrate our new life
and take the Love we have received here into the world.**

In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

*Hymn: * VU 155 – Jesus Christ Is Risen Today (vs. 1,2,4)

① **Jesus Christ is risen today, hallelujah!**

our triumphant holy day, hallelujah!

who did once, upon the cross, hallelujah!

suffer to redeem our loss. Hallelujah!

② **Hymns of praise then let us sing hallelujah!**

unto Christ, our heavenly King, hallelujah!

who endured the cross and grave, hallelujah!

sinner to redeem and save. Hallelujah!

④ **Sing we to our God above, hallelujah!**

praise eternal as God's love; hallelujah!

praise our God, ye heavenly host, hallelujah!

praise the Son and Holy Ghost. Hallelujah!

Commissioning and Benediction

*Sending Song: * Sing Alleluia (vs. 2)

(Seasons of the Spirit, Vol. 6, p. 34)

Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, alleluia, allelu.

Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, alleluia, Jesus lives again.

Postlude

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Announcements for May 24, 2020

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A WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Sun, May 24: 7th Sunday of Easter – Online Worship Service at 10:30 am
(Recording available at 2 pm)

Mon, May 25: English Language Learning – 10 am (Zoom)

Tue, May 26: Bible Study – 9 am (Zoom)

Wed, May 27: English Language Learning – 10 am (Zoom)

Thurs, May 28: English Conversation Class – 11 am (Zoom)

Sun, May 31: Pentecost Sunday – Online Worship Service at 10:30 am
(Recording available at 2 pm)

< Mission Statements >

Hazelmere: To praise God together, celebrate our heritage,
grow in faith and reach out to others.

Cloverdale: To thrive in faith through relationship with God,
one another and the community.
To serve others as Jesus would.

✝ If you wish to contact Rev. Lori confidentially, here's her email address:
lori.megley-best@telus.net

✝ **BIBLE STUDY** goes on at **9:00 am** on Tuesday mornings on Zoom. Please contact the church office if you wish to join, and Susie will send you the Zoom link. All are welcome!

✝ PAJAMA CHURCH (CHILDREN'S CHURCH!)

Children's Church will not be happening via Zoom this week. Watch your doorsteps Monday or Wednesday for a special delivery! Thanks to Pacific Mountain Region First Third Ministry for offering the resources for an amazing activity box like this that is screen free and so fun!!

✝ **Thelma S.** has kindly offered to make cloth masks for those in need. She can also make small sized ones for children. Please feel free to contact her at 236-456-8337. Many thanks to Thelma for her kindness and generosity!

✝ HIGHLIGHTS FROM CUC COUNCIL MEETING on May 19, 2020

1. Council has decided that there will not be any indoor worship services offered in the near future.
2. Council is looking into options around an outdoor worship service. Our discussion is still in progress.

✝ FINANCIAL IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON DONATIONS (CUC)

When CUC Council met this week, we felt it was important to not only thank everyone for making an effort to keep up their donations to the work of our church during these uncertain times but to also show the impact Covid-19 has had on our financial situation. So thank you to all of you who are contributing financially to our church. Your offerings are truly appreciated.

Below is a table that compares donations for April 2020 to April 2019 – showing the 3 most common places that donations are directed. If anyone has questions on ways to donate or on the financial situation please contact Lori P. (loripresunka.cuc@gmail.com).

	<u>April 2020</u>	<u>April 2019</u>	decrease
Local offerings	7,108	8,633	1,525
Mission & Service Donations	1,103	1,253	150
Intercultural Donations	<u>150</u>	<u>930</u>	<u>780</u>
Total	8,361	10,816	2,455

✝ WONDERING HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH at this uncertain time?

While we are adhering to our government's requirements to socially distance and avoid large groups, and are not worshipping face to face, we are asking that people try to maintain their regular givings to the church. We need to maintain our staff to provide online worship and pastoral care as well as our building even when we are not there.

There are 3 ways you can deliver your offerings to the church:

1. **Go on PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance).** The bank will send us your designated monthly giving to the church.
2. **Mail them in.** Consider mailing in post-dated cheques. Our address is: 17575 - 58A Ave, Surrey, BC, V3S 1N1
3. **Donate online from our website,** powered by CanadaHelps. <https://www.cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca/pages/donate>

If you have any questions, please contact the church office during office hours. All your donations are gratefully received at this time. Thank you!

- ✝️ Worship service goes on, on a weekly basis, through Zoom. You will receive email information on how to participate. Recordings are also available on our website.
- ✝️ Worship services, Children's Church, Council meetings, ELL meetings, and bible studies are all running through Zoom. The link for each meeting is sent out by email only. Please contact the church office if you know someone who is not receiving emails.
- ✝️ Please join Rev. Lori each day at noon to **pray for our health care workers and all who work in medical facilities**. Stop what you are doing and pray for their health, safety, stamina, ability to rest well and peace of mind. **Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made know to God. - Philippians 4:6**

RE-INTRODUCING
CUC
VIRTUAL VARIETY
SHOW

WE ARE VERY EXCITED TO
BRING BACK THIS FUN EVENT!

IF YOU HAVE A HIDDEN TALENT
YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE
OR
IF YOU HAVE PHOTOS FROM
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