

~ 8th Sunday after Pentecost | July 26, 2020 ~

Presider: Shelley Davies | Preacher: Sharlene Jonasson

Musician: Sharon Lauzé | Children and Youth Leader: Robyn Garland

We Gather

Welcome and Introductions

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Announcements

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

Call to Worship

Gather us, O God, into a Holy condition,

where we can encounter you fully, with joy and peace.

Speak to us of your kingdom, and your call to be your people.

Stir us to grow your kingdom here on earth, as it is in Heaven.

Teach us to serve and love as Jesus did.

Cause us to rise up above all contests that obscure your goodness.

And move us into works that secure your peace and joy.

Hear us as we praise your name.

Opening Hymn: ✱ MV 59 – Alleluia, Praise to God (vs. 1 twice)

Alleluia, praise to God. Alleluia, praise to God.

Praises, high praises, we bring you, O God. Alleluia, praise to God.

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)

Praying a Scripture for Comfort: **Psalm 91**

You who live in the shelter of the Most High,

who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,

will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress;

my God, in whom I trust.'

For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler

and from the deadly pestilence;

he will cover you with his pinions,

and under his wings you will find refuge;

his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

You will not fear the terror of the night,

or the arrow that flies by day,

or the pestilence that stalks in darkness,

or the destruction that wastes at noonday.

A thousand may fall at your side,

ten thousand at your right hand,

but it will not come near you.

You will only look with your eyes

and see the punishment of the wicked.

Because you have made the Lord your refuge,

the Most High your dwelling-place,

no evil shall befall you,

no scourge come near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you

to guard you in all your ways.

On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the adder,

the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

Those who love me, I will deliver;

I will protect those who know my name.

When they call to me, I will answer them;

I will be with them in trouble,

I will rescue them and honour them.

With long life I will satisfy them,

and show them my salvation.

Time for Contemplating God's Words

Hymn: ✱ VU 807 – Psalm 91

(Refrain)

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: ✱ VU 579 – The Church Is Wherever God's People

① **The church is wherever God's people are praising,
singing God's goodness for joy on this day.**

**The church is wherever disciples of Jesus
remember his story and walk in his way.**

② **The church is wherever God's people are helping,
caring for neighbours in sickness and need.**

**The church is wherever God's people are sharing
the words of the Bible in gift and in deed.**

We Hear Good News

Scripture Reading in Korean: **Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52**

(Reader: Miyoung Kim)

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He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'
He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened. The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have you understood all this?' They answered, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.'

Sermon – Sharlene Jonasson

Time for Silence

Hymn: * VU 356 – Seek Ye First the Kingdom

- ① **Seek ye first the kingdom of God and God's righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Hallelu, hallelujah.**
- ② **Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and you shall find; knock and the door shall be opened unto you. Hallelu, hallelujah.**
- ③ **We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God. Hallelu, hallelujah.**

We Respond

Offering / Offering Prayer

We dedicate these gifts and our lives to you, O God, in thanksgiving for your great gift of Jesus in whom we know an inner peace that is beyond our human understanding.

Strengthen and empower us with the Holy Spirit to be bearers of this peace wherever we go. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Sung Response: * VU 537 – Your Work, O God, Needs Many Hands

- ① **Your work, O God, needs many hands to help you everywhere, and some there are who cannot serve unless our gifts we share.**
- ② **Because we love you and your work, our offering now we make: be pleased to use it as your own, we ask for Jesus' sake.**

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.

Hymn: * MV 1 – Let Us Build a House (vs. 1,4,5)

- ① **Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions: All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**
- ④ **Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face; let us bring an end to fear and danger: All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**
- ⑤ **Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this house proclaim from floor to rafter: All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.**

Commissioning and Benediction

Sending Song: * VU 807 – Psalm 91 (Chorus)

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.

Postlude



Announcements for July 26, 2020

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A WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Sun, July 26: 8th Sunday after Pentecost – Online Worship

Pre-recorded service at 10:30 am

Mon, July 27: Children’s Church – 2 pm (Zoom)

Wed, July 29: English Language Learning

Sun, Aug 2: 9th Sunday after Pentecost – Online Worship

Live-stream on Zoom at 10:30 am

(Recording available at 2 pm on website)

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS (JULY & AUGUST)

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9 am – 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.

† MARGARET HENDERSON

It is with sadness to announce the death of our long-time member of Cloverdale United Church, **Margaret Henderson**. Margaret passed away on a beautiful sunny evening on July 19, 2020, at Langley Lodge, and is no longer lonely. Quoting her daughter’s words: “I know she appreciated the friendship and fellowship of Cloverdale United Church over the years. Please know you had a special place in her heart.” May God bring strength and comfort to Margaret’s family in this difficult time.

† WORSIHP SERVICES DURING SUMMER

Summer worship services will be a mixture of pre-recorded service and live-stream service on Zoom. Please read the “Service info” emails from the church on Fridays or check out the website for updates.

† STAFF SUMMER HOLIDAY SCHEDULES

- Rev. Lori Megley-Best: July 13 – Aug 3

- Robyn Garland: Aug 4 – 11

† PASTORAL EMERGENCIES DURING REV. LORI’S ABSENCE

Rev. Lori will be away on summer holidays from July 13 to August 3.

For any pastoral emergencies please contact **Rev. Janice Young** (Peninsula UC) at **604-531-2979**.

† SUMMER CHILDREN’S CHURCH – 2 PM ON MONDAYS

Join us for Summer Children’s Church on Mondays at 2pm, on Zoom!

All children are welcome for a check in, game, bible story, discussion and follow up activities! Email Robyn at cuc.cyg@gmail.com or the office if you would like the Zoom link for your child. (Our meetings are password protected with a waiting room enabled, as safety is a top priority in this important ministry.)

† NO BIBLE STUDY UNTIL AUG 11

Tuesday morning Bible Study will take a break and will resume on Aug 11.

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

All your donations are gratefully received at this time. Thank you! There are several 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>
4. **Donations to HUC** can be made by e-transfer to hazelmereunitedchurch@gmail.com

If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

† UCW NEWS

Two former Provincial presidents of UCW have passed away recently: **Rebecca Irwin** (Peninsula United) on June 14th (10 days short of her 105 birthday), and **Win Fleming** (Trinity United, Port Coquitlam) on July 8th.