

~ Second Sunday of Easter | April 25, 2021 ~

Lead Minister: Rev. Matthew Emery | Musician: Dianne Nichols

We Gather

Prelude

Greeting and Welcome

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Many: **And also with you.**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

(Candle lighter: Anna Y)

Call to Worship

One: Open the gate! The Shepherd is coming!

Many: **We hear the glad voice, calling us by name,
leading us to green pastures.**

One: No stranger voice will we follow.

We follow only the One who brings us home.

Many: **One door, one flock, one fold, one Shepherd.
Open the gate! The Good Shepherd comes!**

*Opening Hymn: * VU 748 – God Is My Shepherd

- ① **God is my shepherd, I'll not want, I feed in pastures green.
God grants me rest and bids me drink from waters calm and clean.
Through daily tasks, I'm blessed and led by one I have not seen.**
- ② **Restored to life each morning new, I rise up from the dust
to follow God whose presence gives me confidence and trust.
I praise the name of God today; in God I put my trust.**
- ③ **When I must pass through shadowed vale, where loss and death await,
I will not fear for God is there, my shepherd strong and great,
whose rod and staff will comfort me and all my fears abate.**
- ④ **No enemy can overcome, no power on earth defeat
the ones anointed by God's grace and fed with manna sweet.
My cup is filled and overflows as I my Saviour greet.**
- ⑤ **Goodness and mercy all my days will surely follow me;
and where God reigns in heaven and earth, my dwelling place will be.
My shepherd blesses, cares and leads through all eternity.**

*Prayer of the Day

**O God, raiser of the dead, lifter-up of the downtrodden,
carer of the vulnerable, lover of the overlooked:
you act with a power that makes little or no sense
in our world of tactics and strategy-making.
Teach us the wisdom of laying down our lives
in order that you may raise us up.
Keep us from being seasonal and part-time disciples
whose love is conditional, fickle, and transient.
Help us love not only in word and speech
but also in truth and action,
all to the glory of the Good Shepherd,
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

*The Passing of the Peace

One: The Peace of Christ be with you all. *Many:* **And also with you.**
Korean: **Christo-ui pyoung-hwa-ga dahng-sin-gwa hahm-keh ha-shi-girul.**
그리스도의 평화가 당신과 함께 하시기를.

Sharing the Peace *(in breakout groups)*

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

News from Our Life Together (Announcements)

We Hear Good News

Gathering Time

Hymn: * MV 121 – Hey Now! Singing Hallelujah!

(Chorus) **Hey now! Singing hallelujah! Hey now! The morning has come!
Hey now! Singing hallelujah! The tomb was empty at the rising sun.**

- ① **Jesus loved people and he made them friends,
Hey now, the tomb was empty.
He called to the children and the women and men.
Hey now, the tomb was empty. (C)**
- ② **Jesus healed people and he helped them be well.
Hey now, the tomb was empty.
He taught about God in the stories he'd tell.
Hey now, the tomb was empty. (C)**
- ③ **Jesus loves people and he lives again!
Hey now, the tomb was empty.
Calls us disciples and he calls us his friends.
Hey now, the tomb was empty. (C)**

First Reading: **1 John 3:16-24**

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

(Word of God, Word of Life. / Thanks be to God.)

Second Reading in Korean: **John 10:11-18**

(Reader: Byungsun)

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I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.

(Word of God, Word of Life. / Thanks be to God.)

Sermon

Time for Silence

Hymn: * MV 126 - Are You a Shepherd?

- ① **Are you a shepherd, good shepherd who leads us safely through danger, while calming our fears?
Are you a father who shelters and feeds us,
shares in our laughter and wipes away tears?**

(Chorus) **Yes, you are shepherd, parent and teacher,
but you are greater than all that we know.
Holy and living, loving and giving,
God, you are with us wherever we go.**

- ② **Are you a mother, good mother who bears us,
comforts, protects us and helps us to rest?
Are you a teacher who daily prepares us,
challenging students to offer their best? (C)**
- ③ **Great, gentle shepherd, forever beside us,
lead all you children in paths that are right.
Great, loving parent, wise teacher, you guide us.
We want to love you and bring you delight. (C)**

* Affirmation of Faith — Psalm 23 *(spoken in unison)*

**The Lord is my shepherd,
I need nothing more.
You give me rest in green meadows,
setting me near calm waters,
where you revive my spirit.
You guide me along sure paths,
you are true to your name.
Though I should walk in death’s dark valley,
I fear no evil with you by my side,
your shepherd’s staff to comfort me.
You spread a table before me
as my foes look on.
You soothe my head with oil;
my cup is more than full.
Goodness and love will tend me
every day of my life.
I will dwell in the house of the Lord
as long as I shall live.**

*(as appears in The Psalter: A Faithful and Inclusive Rendering,
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We Respond

Offering / Offering Prayer

**O Mighty One, you have done great things for us, and holy is your name.
Bless all we offer you—our selves, our time, and our possessions—
that through us your grace, your favour, and most of all your power of life
may be made known to all the world;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

Anthem: *“The Good Shepherd” (by Zebulon Highben)*

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: * VU 175 – This Is the Day That God Has Made

(Chorus) **This is the day that God has made!**

Rejoice! Rejoice, and be exceeding glad!

This is the day that God has made! Rejoice! Rejoice! Hallelujah!

① **Christ has conquered death at last, left the tomb that held him fast!
Gone the sorrow, gone the night, dawns the morning clear and bright!(C)**

② **Jesus lives who once was dead, lives forever, as he said!
Risen now our Saviour, King; songs of gladness let us sing! (C)**

Commissioning and Benediction

*Sending Song: * VU 179 – Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks *(Chorus)*

Hallelujah, Hallelujah. Give thanks to the risen Christ.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah. Give praise to God's name.

Postlude

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🌀 Announcements for April 25, 2021 🌀



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A WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Sun, Apr 25: 4th Sunday of Easter – 10:30 am (on Zoom)

ELL Class E – 9:30 am

Mon, Apr 26: ELL Class A – 9:30 am, Class B – 11:30 am

Tues, Apr 27: Bible Study – 10 am

ELL Class C – 11:40 am

Wed, Apr 28: ELL Class D – 9:30 am

Sun, May 2: 5th Sunday of Easter – 10:30 am (on Zoom)

ELL Class E – 9:30 am

** All Meetings/Services are on ZOOM.*

< Mission Statement >

*To thrive in faith through relationship with God,
one another and the community.*

To serve others as Jesus would.

✚ Offerings at CUC last week: \$1,548.50

- Offerings required each week to cover expenses: \$2,115.00

✚ **ALL SERVICES AND MEETINGS ARE ONLINE**

Due to the restrictions from BC Health Authority to prevent the spread of COVID-19, we continue to worship online on Zoom until further notice.

Please check emails from the church on Fridays or check our website.

✚ **VIRTUAL CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

<https://www.cloverdaleunitedchurch.ca/news/childrens-church-this-week>

Virtual Children's Church is up for the next two weeks! We are learning about The Good Shepherd. There are colouring pages, crafts, a fun video teaching us how to draw a sheep and more!

✝ COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS – APRIL 20, 2021

1. **A second Zoom account** has been purchased for the ELL classes. Please see Chohee Won for that link if you are looking to attend.
2. CUC will be applying to the City of Surrey for a **building heritage grant** to help with the cost of repainting the church exterior.
3. We are looking for **individuals to operate Zoom for the Sunday services**. We hope to have enough members that we can rotate them from week to week therefore minimizing the commitment of any one person. If you are interested, please contact Doug Sowerby, Robyn Garland or the office. (See below announcement)

✝ TECH PEOPLE NEEDED

We currently have two people trained to take the tech position in Robyn's absence. If you have an interest in learning more about what it takes to run Zoom on Sunday mornings, please reach out to the office or to Robyn at cuc.cyg@gmail.com.



✝ A NOTE TO FAMILIES

Please remember to let Robyn know if your family moves during this time. She is still delivering kits and packages as she is able, and if she has your address wrong, someone else will end up with your kit! You can email her at cuc.cyg@gmail.com to let her know of any address, phone number or other changes happening in your busy lives!

✝ BOOK DONATIONS

We are accepting donations of books for a future book sale. We are only accepting FICTION (stories) at this time, any age audience is fine. Books must be in good condition. You can drop off the books at the church either outside, or if you want to bring them inside, you must follow COVID safety rules. Please ring the doorbell on the side wall when you're dropping off outside, so Susie can come down and pick them up. All books must be brought in a bag or box. Any questions to Jamie (jamie.brown@telus.net).

✝ COMMUNITY TREASURES

Please have a look at the Surrey Museum website under "Community Treasures". Let Bruce know if you might be interested in spear heading a project to showcase the Cloverdale United Church at the Museum. Details of requirements can be found on the website. Contact Bruce Forbes or any member of Council if you are interested.

"Community Treasures exhibits are an opportunity for community groups and cultural organizations from all over Surrey to showcase their treasures and share their stories with a wider audience."

✝ GARDEN PLOTS

We still have one garden bed available. If anyone is interested, please contact Christine C (604-534-9813, christine.connal@gmail.com).

✝ A WORSHIP SERVICE OF APOLOGY AND LAMENT FOR THE CHURCH'S ROLE IN COERCED ADOPTIONS

The United Church of Canada will acknowledge its role in forced adoptions through maternity homes operated by the church. During the service, The Right Rev. Dr. Richard Bott, Moderator, will offer a formal apology to mothers and all affected by historical adoption practices. Join us online May 9, 2021, at 12:00 pm PDT on the United Church YouTube Channel. Find out more: <https://united-church.ca/events/worship-service-apology-and-lament-churchs-role-coerced-adoptions>

✝ ASIAN CANADIAN WOMEN: SUPPORT, STRENGTH, AND SOLIDARITY

If you are of Asian descent in The United Church of Canada and self-identify as woman, genderqueer, and/or nonbinary, you are invited to gather together in Asian Heritage Month this May. There will be time to get to know one another, talk about our places in the church, and explore the intersections of our racial identities and gender identities. Asian women are particularly visible and vulnerable during this pandemic time. Please be welcome to a safe meeting space to connect, lament, and honour one another.

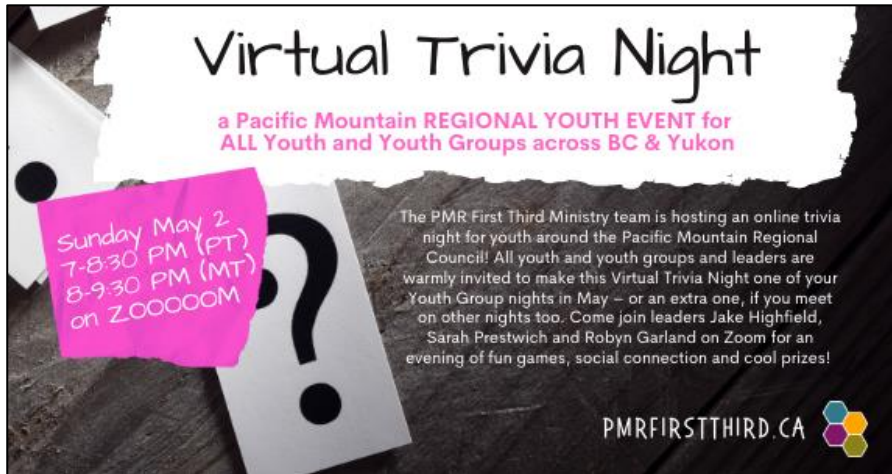
The gatherings will begin with a brief welcome by Adele Halliday (Anti-Racism and Equity Lead, General Council Office) and be facilitated by Kim Uyede-Kai (Minister, Communities of Faith Support, Anti-Racism, and Right Relations, Shining Waters Regional Council).

Gathering times:

Sunday, May 2 (3:00-5:00 p.m. PT) / **Wednesday, May 5** (3:00-5:00 p.m. PT)
You are welcome to come to one session or both!

To register, please send an email to anti-racism@united-church.ca. In your email, please include your full name, email address, and Asian ancestry. A Zoom link will be sent after registration.

✝ VIRTUAL TRIVIA NIGHT – MAY 2, 7:00-8:30 PM



Did you know Robyn is hosting a Virtual Trivia Night with youth and young adults from across our region? All youth and young adults are invited to attend! Make sure you register before April 30. There will be prizes for the winning team and it's bound to be a great night for all!

Register Here: https://form.jotform.com/Pamela_Evans/trivia-night?fbclid=IwAR0srIOGeVJ2uSVR-G3QKFllHg-NxcrIzoTtsMNjNbDJrMCBcgaGxgft0Do

✝ 2021 CUC CONGREGATIONAL RETREAT – AUGUST 22 – 28, 2021

We are excited to announce that Council has approved the Congregational Retreat at Naramata again for this year, from Sunday, August 22 to Saturday, August 28.

We anticipate camping spaces and indoor accommodation will be in short supply, so we encourage interested people to reserve their camping spot now. Here are the links:

- **Indoor accommodations:** <https://www.naramatacentresociety.org/fall-retreats-2020#/event/3484/personal-retreats-indoor-accommodation-fall-2021>

- **Outdoor camping:** <https://www.naramatacentresociety.org/fall-retreats-2020#/event/3483/personal-retreats-camping-fall-2021>

* **Campground map:**

<https://www.naramatacentresociety.org/campground-map>

**** PLEASE NOTE ****

1. **Pay particular attention to the deposit and cancellation fees.**
2. **In the comment box, make sure to:**
 - request for campsites near “Creekside Commons” area,
 - mention that you are part of Cloverdale United Church
 - request for a specific campsite # if available (give it a try!)
3. **Let Susie know once you have booked your accommodation.**

There is a variety of accommodation at Naramata: indoor, outdoor camping, pet friendly, some with power, water, etc.

We will primarily hope to be located in the Creekside Commons area that has a shared undercover kitchen area with fridges and stove, BBQ, and sinks, with lots of tables for eating, games and conversation under cover. The closest indoor accommodation to Creekside is Orchard Court A and B, which feature separate bedrooms with a shared indoor kitchen.

There will be registration/orientation on Sunday evening, a short morning program Monday through Thursday, 9:30-11:45 am for adults and separately for children and youth, some shared events, and lots of free time for exploring the town, beaches, hikes and wineries plus more, that this beautiful part of the Okanagan has to offer.

Explore the Naramata Centre website and then register to join us for a wonderful Cloverdale Church Community event.

For more information or any questions to Intercultural Committee: Christine C (christine.connal@gmail.com), Bev S (bevsiggs@gmail.com), Chohee W (chorry5242@gmail.com)

***Blast from the Past* ✎ 25**

Chickpea Casserole with Lemon, Herbs & Shallots

submitted by Rev. Matt

"One of the culinary traditions of my childhood "home" region -- the United States' upper Midwest -- is the casserole (a.k.a., "hotdish", if you're from Minnesota... but I'm not). This is a wonderful recipe I stumbled across some 9 or 10 years ago that is a much more modern, lightened-up take on the old Midwestern casserole format. It's got fresh flavours, and has an ideal balance between hearty and comforting and wholesome and light... and it's both vegetarian and protein-packed."

Yield: Serves 6 to 8

Prep time: 15 - 20 minutes

(note: this doesn't include ingredient prep, such as chopping or cooking the rice)

Cook time: 45 minutes

Ingredients:

2/3 cup dried breadcrumbs
2 tablespoons olive oil, plus more for the baking dish
1 cup finely grated Parmesan cheese, divided
3 (15-ounce) cans chickpeas, drained and rinsed,
or 5 cups cooked chickpeas
1 cup cooked long-grain brown rice
4 large shallots, finely chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
1/2 cup finely chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley leaves
2 teaspoons finely chopped fresh rosemary leaves
(from about 2 sprigs)
1 teaspoon kosher salt
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
2 large eggs
1 cup cottage cheese, preferably small curd
1 cup regular full-fat plain yogurt
(not Greek yogurt; it has too little moisture)
1/2 cup low-sodium vegetable or chicken broth
Finely grated zest of 1 medium lemon
Juice of 1 medium lemon

Instructions

1. Arrange a rack in the middle of the oven and heat to 375°F. Lightly coat a 9x13-inch or 3-quart baking dish with olive oil or cooking spray; set aside.
2. Place the breadcrumbs and olive oil in a small bowl and stir until the breadcrumbs are well-coated and slightly wet. Add 1/2 cup of the Parmesan cheese and stir to combine; set aside.
3. Place the chickpeas, rice, shallots, garlic, parsley, rosemary, salt, and pepper in a large bowl, and stir to combine; set aside.
4. Place the eggs in a medium bowl and whisk to combine. Add remaining 1/2 cup of Parmesan cheese, cottage cheese, yogurt, broth, lemon zest, and lemon juice, and stir to combine. Add the egg mixture to the bowl with the chickpea mixture and stir until well combined.
5. Transfer the mixture to the prepared baking dish and spread into an even layer. Sprinkle the breadcrumb mixture evenly over the top. (At this point the casserole can be covered and refrigerated for up to 24 hours.) Bake until the top is golden brown and the casserole is bubbling, about 45 minutes. Let cool for 10 minutes before serving.

Recipe Notes

Make ahead: The casserole can be prepared and assembled up to 1 day in advance. Cover and store in the refrigerator. When baked straight from the refrigerator, add 10 minutes to the baking time.

Storage: Leftovers can be refrigerated in a covered container for up to 4 days.

*Reprinted from Not Your Mother's Casseroles by Faith Durand.
(Harvard Common Press, January 2011)*