~ 6th Sunday of Easter | May 17, 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: * 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)
- ⑤ 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)

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-girul.

(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: Psalm 27

Of David.

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh—

my adversaries and foes—they shall stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! 'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!'

Your face, Lord, do I seek. Do not hide your face from me.

Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation! If my father and mother forsake me, the Lord will take me up.

Teach me your way, O Lord,
and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen against me, and they are breathing out violence.

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

Time for Contemplating God's Words

Hymn: ★ MV 21 – Open Our Hearts
Open our hearts, open our minds.
Open our lives to you O loving God.
(Repeat)

Gathering Time

Hymn: ★ This Little Light of Mine

- ① This little light of mine, I'm goin'-a let it shine; (3x) let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- ② Ev'rywhere I go, I'm goin'-a let it shine; (3x) let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
- ③ Jesus gave it to me, I'm goin'-a let it shine; (3x) let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

We Hear Good News

Scripture Reading: I Peter 1:17-23 (Reader: Joyce W.)

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. (Word of God, Word of Life. / Thanks be to God.)

Hymn: ★ VU 356 – Seek Ye First the Kingdom (vs. 1,2)

- 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.

Korean Scripture Reading: **John 14:1-14** (*Reader: Jiyeong P.*)

Scripture Reading: John 14:1-14

'Do not let vour hearts be troubled. Believe in God. believe also in me. In mv Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.' Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

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

Sermon

Time for Silence

Hymn: ★ VU 661 – Come to My Heart

- ① Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; teach me to walk in your way.

 Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; come to my heart today.

 Give me the peace and joy that only you can bring.

 Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; give me a song to sing.
- ② Fill me with love, Lord Jesus; teach me to walk in your way. Fill me with love, Lord Jesus; fill me with love today.

 Give me the peace and joy that only you can bring.

 Fill me with love, Lord Jesus; give me a song to sing.
- ③ Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus; teach me to walk in your way. Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus; Answer my prayer today. Give me the peace and joy that only you can bring. Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus; give me a song to sing.

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: * VU 460 All Who Hunger Gather Gladly
- ① All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread. Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed. You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.
- ② All who hunger, never strangers; seeker, be a welcome guest.

 Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.

 We that once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.

 Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.
- ③ All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread. Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led. Blest are those who from this table live their lives in gratitude. Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

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: * MV 104 – Know that God Is Good

Know that God is good, (3X) God is good, God is good.

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

Christ who is with us always, thank you for this meal, this mystery of faith, where you have given yourself to us. May we go into the world strengthened by your Spirit, in a spirit of generosity, to share your presence and love with the world. We pray this in your name, Amen.

- *Hymn: ★ VU 333 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
 - ① Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.

 Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.
 - ② Come, almighty to deliver; let us all thy grace receive; suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above, pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
 - ③ Finish, then, thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee, changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love, and praise.

Commissioning and Benediction

*Sending Song: ** Sing Alleluia (vs. 2) (Seasons of the Spirit, Vol. 6, p. 34)
Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Jesus lives again.

Postlude

* Reproduced with permission under license #A-606025, One License, LLC

Announcements for May 17, 2020 ◆

CLOVERDALE & HAZELMERE UNITED CHURCHES

CLOVERDALE UNITED CHURCH & OFFICE: 17575 - 58A AVE. SURREY, V3S 1N1

HAZELMERE UNITED CHURCH: 1614 - 184 St. SURREY, V3S 9V2

A WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Sun, May 17: 6th Sunday of Easter – Online Worship Service at 10:30 am

(Recording available at 2 pm)

Mon, May 18: Victoria Day - Office Closed

Tue, May 19: Bible Study – 9 am (Zoom)

CUC Council Meeting – 6:30 pm (Zoom)

Wed, May 20: English Language Learning – 10 am (Zoom)

Thurs, May 21: English Conversation Class – 11 am (Zoom)

Sun, May 24: 7th Sunday of Easter – 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
- ⊕ 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.
- [⊕] We offer our condolences and prayers to the family of Wayne Dermody who passed away on May 12, 2020. May God of peace bring strength and comfort to his family including Lorrie Brown and Jamie Brown at this difficult time.

- ➡ <u>BIBLE STUDY</u> goes on at <u>9:00 am</u> 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!)

Due to Victoria Day long weekend, Children's Church will be a video uploaded on Monday morning! Check your inboxes to receive the link and watch at your leisure! Make sure that Robyn has your email if you would like the link. Send an email to cuc.cyg@gmail.com. Children's Church will resume at the regular time on *Monday, May 25 at 2pm*. I hope you all have a great weekend and that the sun sticks around so we can socially distance outside!

➡ 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 aren't 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!

- 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!
- 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

