



Merging Waters Pastoral Charge  
Sunday Morning Worship  
**That You May Have Joy**

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday Of Easter  
May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**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*

**LIFE AND WORK OF THE PEOPLE**

**Bold print** indicates text to read/sing/pray in unison

**ACKNOWLEDGING TRADITIONAL TERRITORY**

**Merging Waters Pastoral Charge is located on land which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst Indigenous peoples and nations. Merging Waters honours, recognizes and respects these nations as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet and live today.**

**MUSICAL CENTERING**

**MORE VOICES 10 Come And Seek the Ways of Wisdom**

words by Ruth Duck, music by Donna kabohm  
vocals by Bonnie and Eric Norris

**WALKING IN THE LIGHT**

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

**CELEBRATING THE RAINBOW**

**HYMN OF CELEBRATION**

**We Are A Rainbow** *(verse 1)*

**We're the light of all the world, we are a city on a hill,  
We're a candle on a stand proclaiming light,  
We will not hide our lamp beneath a bushel any more,  
We will shine a ray of hope that's burning bright.**

**We are a rainbow, sign of covenant and peace  
For the flood of tears will finally cease to be  
Come shine your rainbow, splash your hues across the sky  
Paint the world in colours proud and bold and free**

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## SPIRITUAL FOCUS

We come and seek the ways of wisdom.

**We come as one Body in Christ.**

We come to find peace and sing songs of love.

**We come to be refreshed by the Spirit.**

Come, let us worship.

## HYMN/CANTIQUE MORE VOICES 161

**I Have Called You By Your Name/  
Tu sais, je t'ai appelé par ton nom**

**I have called you by your name, you are mine;  
I have gifted you and ask you now to shine.  
I will not abandon you;  
All my promises are true.  
You are gifted, called, and chosen; you are mine.**

**Je t'apprendrai mon nom à chaque pas.  
Lis-le en tous ceux que tu rencontreras.  
En versant l'eau en mon nom,  
proclame la communion;  
et de Jésus, qui s'est donné, suis les pas.**

**Tu auras besoin de moi en chemin.  
En tous lieux, sens ma présence et mon soutien.  
Comme cette femme en pleurs  
qui a surmonté ses peurs,  
touche et laisse aller Jésus sur son chemin.**

**I have given you a name, it is mine;  
I have given you my Spirit as a sign.  
With my wonder in your soul,  
make my wounded children whole;  
go and tell my precious people they are mine.**

## PRAYER OF APPROACH

**Life-giving Spirit, your love and light guides us on the path of courage, compassion, generosity, and grace. Lead us as we seek to follow your transformative love that turns sorrow into joy, and despair into hope. O God, let your Word help us to embrace your guiding love and live as your faithful witnesses, reflecting your grace and redemptive love. Divine Creator, open our hearts to receive your gracious love, and strengthen us to carry the Good News of your healing power found in the light, love and life of Jesus, in who we find the Christ. Amen.**



## MUSICAL APPROACH VOICES UNITED 202/203

### O Breath of Life/Viens, Créateur, emplis nos âmes

**O Breath of love, come breathe within us,  
renewing thought and will and heart;  
come, love of Christ, afresh to win us,  
revive your church in every part.**

**En nos esprits met ta lumière;  
en nos cœurs verse ton amour;  
tu es la source inépuisable  
de la vraie vie, du vrai bonheur**

## GOSPEL READING

John 17:6-19

“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.

**I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them.**

And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Creator, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled.

**But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete among them.**

I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.

**As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world.  
And for their sakes I sanctify myself,  
so that they also may be sanctified in truth.**

## APPLICATION FOR TODAY

Joyful Sadness

A sermon by Karoline Lewis  
Associate Professor of Biblical Preaching and The Marbury E. Anderson Chair of Biblical Preaching  
at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota

## 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

I Can See Clearly Now

words and music by Johnny Nash  
arranged by Michael Woytiuk  
Vocals by Sandy and Al Davis

## CHORAL DEDICATION MORE VOICES 30

It's A Song Of Praise For The Maker

(verse 4 & refrain)

**It's the chorus of all creation, it's sung by all living things.  
It's the chorus of all creation, a song the universe sings,  
And by the Spirit, you and I can join our voice to the holy cry  
and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.**



## PRAYERS OF CONCERN AND JOY

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our ..., in heaven,  
hallowed be 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,  
forever and ever.  
Amen.

## COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

### SENDING HYMN VOICES UNITED 232

Joyful, Joyful We Adore You/ Ô joie, nous t'adorons

Joyful, joyful we adore you, God of glory, life and love,  
Hearts unfold like flowers before you, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

Ô grand Dieu, tes œuvres partout, de la terre jusqu'aux cieux,  
les astres, les anges te louent d'airs et de chants harmonieux.  
Montagnes, déserts, océans, prés en fleurs, ruisseaux chantants,  
gouttes de pluie et ouragans te célèbrent exultant.

Toi qui donnes, qui pardones, toi très saint qui nous bénis,  
qui n'oublies rien ni personne dont la grâce est infinie,  
par ta lumière illuminés, aide-nous à nous aimer,  
comme nous devons nous aimer, nous offrir, nous entraider.

Mortals join the mighty chorus, which the morning stars began;  
God's own love is reigning o'er us, joining people hand in hand.  
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;  
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

*~ Thank you to for joining us today ~*



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**Merging Waters  
Pastoral Charge**



*Welcome Grace Service Love  
Community*

**UPCOMING SERVICES at 10:30 a.m.**

- May 16<sup>th</sup>.** Seventh Sunday of Easter – Ascension Sunday  
**May 23<sup>rd</sup>.** Pentecost  
**May 30<sup>th</sup>.** Combined Worship with West Island United Churches (10 am)  
hosted by Cedar Park United Church on Facebook Live  
Discussion to follow on ZOOM  
links will be provided at [www.mergingwaters.ca/worship-online](http://www.mergingwaters.ca/worship-online)
- June 6<sup>th</sup>.** United Church Pride Sunday  
**June 13<sup>th</sup>.** Union Sunday – Celebration of the 96<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United  
Church of Canada  
**June 20<sup>th</sup>.** 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
**June 27<sup>th</sup>.** Ecumenical Combined Worship Service with Merging Waters Pastoral  
Charge, St George's Anglican Church, Christ Church Beaufort  
Anglican Church, and Briarwood Presbyterian Church  
(10 am on ZOOM and YouTube Live)

**Worship at Merging Waters: Sunday [www.mergingwaters.ca/Worship-online](http://www.mergingwaters.ca/Worship-online)  
Links for the Zoom Service will be available at on that page  
Download the Zoom App at [zoom.us/download](https://zoom.us/download)**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Church Café** – don't miss the get together on Fridays at 2pm. May 21<sup>st</sup> Special Discussion on the Podcast 'On Being' featuring Carrie Newcomer.

Gorgeous **handmade cards** by Lynn Thompson are on offer. Proceeds to Union church.

**Suitcases for Africa** – Virtual and contactless fundraising **Plant Sale** supporting the school in Kenya that is the focus of the Ebi Kimanani Fund. Perennial outdoor plants and indoor plants too.

**Union Church's Annual Plant Sale** is confirmed, starting May 1<sup>st</sup>. Helen Fyles will operate the sale as she did last year with selection of plants on a Facebook page, send her an email, pick-up at her front lawn.

**Ste-Anne's Market** is by the waterside now, extended opening hours 9am to 2pm. Many more sellers of some of the best local produce and home cooked food this side of heaven.

**Sauvons la Forêt Fairview/Save Fairview Forest** is trying to protect the forest to the west of the Fairview Shopping Centre. If you haven't yet done so, we invite you to join the over 25,750 that have already signed the online petition. This petition is spearheaded by that wonderfully committed Geneviève Lussier, daughter of our own Susan Hawker, both of whom spoke to us last week for the Earth Day Service.

**St-John's United, in Pointe-Claire** has a food bank, you can drop-off on Wednesdays 11-noon or Wendy & Richard Buchanan have kindly offered to pick-up and drop-off for you.

**Lakeshore Association of Artists (LAA) and NOVA West Island** are holding an online exhibition of works, a fundraiser for NOVA. 50 artists taking part, running May 1<sup>st</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>.

**Roxboro United** - UCW is excited to put on a **Silent Auction** starting Sunday May 9<sup>th</sup> at noon, through May 16<sup>th</sup> at noon.

**Nakonha:ka** – is hiring two (2) people for summer jobs at the United Sprit Camp.

**Cedar Park Church** – Summer position for the Technician for Digital Online Ministry Team (1 position)

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Details about these happenings and more in the Mid-Week message.  
Which you can find on our website [www.mergingwaters.ca](http://www.mergingwaters.ca) click on the Stay Up-to-Date tab then on Mid-Week Message.