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On Rock Community Services (www.onrock.org)

Today's offering will go toward On Rock Community Services, a community organization committed to making a difference in the West Island of Montreal by being a resource for people in the community. Their mission is to help those in our community who are struggling with food insecurity. Every program they have supports this underlying mission in some way, and is accomplished through their full-time staff and volunteers. This takes various forms, including a food bank, a school lunch program, a thrift store, and a restaurant.

Annual Outdoor Ecumenical Worship Service



Sunday, June 25th, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Fritz Farm, Baie d'Urfé

Rain location:

Merging Waters/Union United
24 Maple, Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue

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Fritz Farm – Sunday, June 25, 2023 at 10:00 am

“The Peace of Christ”

Welcome and Announcements

Virginia Bell

Call to Worship *(read responsively)*

Loving God, you are the Creator of all.

**We thank you, praise you and bless you for the beauty of
all of creation – all people, all of nature.**

Through Christ and his great love, humanity has been redeemed
from the price of our lack of love.

**Teach us Lord, how to truly love you, one another –
and all of your creation.**

You have given to us the gift of the Spirit, that we may use
the gifts of the Spirit for the greater good.

**Through Jesus, and with the Holy Spirit, we are all
one people, one family – the family of God.**

As God has united us together, let us lift up our prayers
and praises to God!

Opening Prayer

Rev. Joel Amis

Response: **Come Holy Creator’s Spirit, come.**

**All: Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you
bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus,
you place the Gospel in the center of this Sacred Circle
through which all of creation is related. You show us the
way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us
your strength to live together with respect and
commitment as we grow in your Spirit, for you are God,
now and forever. Amen.**

Hymn: **Love Divine, all Loves Excelling** (Hyfrydol) **Insert**

Scripture: **Philippians 4: 2-9** Moira Robson, Briarwood

Reflection **“Tekanawita, the Great Peacemaker”**
Pastor Lisa Byer-de-Wever & Libby Monaco

Hymn: **Make me a Channel of your Peace** **Insert**

Children’s story Stevie Thriepland

Hymn: **I’ve Got Peace Like a River** **Insert**

Introduction to Offering

Rev. Joel Amis

(Proceeds of the offering go to On Rock Community Services)

Offertory Hymn: **Transform, Revive, & Heal Society** **Insert**

Brett Meyer & Rev. Knut Kollmar

Doxology

Offertory Prayer

Rev. Joel Amis

Prayers of the People

Rev. Sarina Odden Meyer

God of the earth and all its peoples,

Let your light shine!

The Lord’s Prayer

Hymn: **Let Streams of Living Justice** **Insert**

Benediction

Pastor Lisa Byer-de-Wever

Sending chorus: **All the People Said Amen** **Insert**

Philippians 4: 2-9 *(New Revised Standard Version)*

²I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. ⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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Hymn: Let Streams of Living Justice

Let streams of living justice flow down upon the earth.
Give freedom's light to captives; let all the poor have worth.
The hungry's hands are pleading; the workers claim their rights.
The mourners long for laughter, the blinded seek for sight.
Make liberty a beacon, strike down the iron power.
Abolish ancient vengeance. Proclaim your people's hour.

For healing of the nations, for peace that will not end,
For love that makes us lovers, God grant us grace to mend.
Weave our varied gifts together: knit our lives as they are spun.
On your loom of life enrol us till the thread of life is run.
O great Weaver of our fabric, bind church and world in one.
Dye our texture with your radiance, light our colours with your sun.

Your city's built to music: we are the stones you seek.
Your harmony is language: we are the words you speak.
Our faith we find in service, our hope in other's dreams.
Our love in hand of neighbour, our homeland brightly gleams.
Inscribe our hearts with justice, your way – the path untried;
Your truth – the heart of stranger; your life – the Crucified.

Sending Chorus: All the People said Amen

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And all the people said Amen, whoa
And all the people said Amen
Give thanks to the Lord for his love never ends
And all the people said Amen

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Hymn: Love Divine, all Loves Excelling

Charles Wesley | Rowland Hugh Pritchard

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. Breathe, oh breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit,
let us find the promised rest;
take away our love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.
3. Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy grace receive;
suddenly return and never,
never more 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.
4. 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.

Hymn: Make me a Channel of your Peace

St. Patrick of Ireland | Sebastian Temple

1. Make me a channel of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your healing power,
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.
2. Make me a channel of your peace:
where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
where there is darkness, only light,
and where there's sadness, ever joy.
3. O Spirit, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.
4. Make me a channel of your peace:
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving to all that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

Hymn: I've Got Peace Like a River

Bryce Inman

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul.

(Repeat)

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

(Repeat)

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a river in my soul.

(Repeat)

Hymn: Transform, Revive & Heal Society

Sung at Royal Albert Hall on the evening of the
Coronation of King Charles III May 06, 2023

Tune: Eventide ("Abide with me")

1. ***(Solo by Brett Meyer)***
We seek Your kingdom throughout every sphere.
We long for heaven's demonstration here.
Jesus, your light shine bright for all to see.
Transform, revive, and heal society.
2. ***(Solo by Rev. Knut Kollmar)***
Before all things, in Him all things were made.
Inspiring culture, media and trade.
May all our work serve Your economy.
Transform, revive, and heal society.
3. ***(All)***
Peace, truth, and justice reigning everywhere.
With us be present in our public square.
Fill all who lead with Your integrity.
Transform, revive, and heal society.
4. ***(Duet by Brett & Rev. Knut)***
Forgive us Lord, when we have not engaged:
Failing to scribe Your heart on history's page.
Make us again what we were made to be.
Transform, revive, and heal society.
5. ***(All)***
Faithful to govern ever may we be;
Selfless in service, loving constantly.
In everything may Your authority
Transform, revive, and heal society.
Transform, revive, and heal society.