



Annual Outdoor Ecumenical Worship Service

Sunday, June 26, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Baie d'Urfé Town Hall

Rain location: Union United Church, 24 Maple, Ste-Anne-de-Bellevue

Renewal

Welcome and Announcements

Virginia Bell

Call to Worship (*read responsively*)

Sandra Holmes

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:

We are One in the Spirit - Peter Scholtes

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We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity will one day be restored
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
and we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come
and all praise to Christ Jesus, who is God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
and they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Scripture:

Isaiah 40: 28-31 *(New Revised Standard Version)*

Moira Robson, Briarwood

²⁸ Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. ²⁹ He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. ³⁰ Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; ³¹ but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Poem

Sandy Davis

Reflection

Rev. Ryan Fea

Hymn:

She Comes Sailing on the Wind - Gordon Light

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Refrain: She comes sailing on the wind, her wings flashing in the sun;
on a journey just begun, she flies on.
And in the passage of her flight, her song rings out through the night,
full of laughter, full of light, she flies on.

Silent waters rocking on the morning of our birth, like an empty cradle waiting to be filled.
And from the heart of God the Spirit moved upon the earth, like a mother breathing life into her child.

Many were the dreamers whose eyes were given sight when the Spirit filled their dreams with life and form.
Deserts turned to gardens, broken hearts found new delight, and then down the ages still she flew on.

Refrain

To a gentle girl in Galilee, a gentle breeze she came, a whisper softly calling in the dark,
the promise of a child of peace whose reign would never end, Mary sang the Spirit song within her heart.

Flying to the river, she waited circling high above the child now grown so full of grace.
As he rose up from the water, she swept down from the sky, and she carried him away in her embrace.

Refrain

Long after the deep darkness that fell upon the world, after dawn returned in flame of rising sun,
the Spirit touched the earth again, again her wings unfurled, bringing life in wind and fire as she flew on.

Refrain

Children's story

Stevie Thriepland

Worship Song: **Everlasting God** – Benton Brown | Ken Riley
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Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, We will wait upon the Lord

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, We will wait upon the Lord
Our God, You reign forever, Our Hope, our strong Deliverer

You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God
You do not faint, You won't grow weary
You're the Defender of the weak, You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

(Sing through twice)

Offering and Prayer (Proceeds of today's offering will go to Ukraine Relief, channelled through
St. Sophia's Ukrainian Cathedral in Rosemont, <http://www.stsophiamontreal.com/>)

Rev. Sarina Odden Meyer

Offertory: **Here Comes the Sun** - *George Harrison*

Michael Woytiuk

Prayers of the People Leader: God of the earth and all its peoples,
All: Let your light shine!

Rev. Sarina Odden Meyer

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: **In the Bulb there is a Flower** - Natalie Sleeth
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In the bulb there is a flower, in the seed, an apple tree,
in cocoons, a hidden promise, butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody,
there's a dawn in every darkness bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning, in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing, in our life, eternity,
in our death, a resurrection, at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

Benediction

Rev. Ryan Fea

Sending chorus: All the People Said Amen Matt Maher | Paul Moak | Trevor Morgan

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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'.

Participating Churches

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