

Millwoods Community Church

October 2, 2022 Communion Sunday



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Prelude

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Dearest friend, help us surrender to you. Grant us faith to deepen and share our relationship with you. Grant us love to listen to our neighbours for unmet needs in our community. Grant us hope to see anew our identity in you. Amen.

Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly

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Verse 1

It all comes down to this What you require of
me
Love my neighbor as myself And You above
all things

Chorus

Act justly love mercy walk humbly With You
God
In all things in all ways walk humbly With
You God

Verse 2

It all comes down to this To be Your hands
and feet
Good news to all the world The truth will set
us free **(Chorus)**

Bridge

It's beauty for ashes It's mourning to dancing
It's closer and closer The Kingdom of heaven

Verse 3

Years from now we'll see The fruit our hands
have sown
Faith just like a seed The only way it grows
(Chorus)

Reading Lamentations 1:1-6; Lamentations 3:19-26

Lamentations 1:1-6

Oh, no! She sits alone, the city that was once full of people. Once great among nations, she has become like a widow. Once a queen over provinces, she has become a slave. She weeps bitterly in the night, her tears on her cheek. None of her lovers comfort her. All her friends lied to her; they have become her enemies. Judah was exiled after suffering and hard service. She lives among the nations; she finds no rest. All who were chasing her caught her—right in the middle of her distress. Zion’s roads are in mourning; no one comes to the festivals. All her gates are deserted. Her priests are groaning, her young women grieving. She is bitter. Her adversaries have become rulers; her enemies relax. Certainly the Lord caused her grief because of her many wrong acts. Her children have gone away, captive before the enemy. Daughter Zion lost all her glory. Her officials are like deer that can’t find pasture. They have gone away, frail, before the hunter.

Lamentations 3:19-26

The memory of my suffering and homelessness is bitterness and poison. I can’t help but remember and am depressed. I call all this to mind—therefore, I will wait. Certainly the faithful love of the Lord hasn’t ended; certainly God’s compassion isn’t through! They are renewed every morning. Great is your faithfulness. I think: The Lord is my portion! Therefore, I’ll wait for him. The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the person who seeks him. It’s good to wait in silence for the Lord’s deliverance.

My Jesus I Love Thee/Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Arranged by Bart Miller

Verse 1

My Jesus I love Thee, I know Thou art mine.
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thine.
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus ‘tis mine.

Verses

Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
just to take Him at his word.
Just to rest upon his promise.
Just to know thus saith the Lord.

Chorus

Jesus Jesus, how I trust Him,
how I’ve proved him or and or.

Jesus Jesus precious Jesus,
O for grace to trust Him more.

Verse

Yes tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
just from sin and self to cease.
Just from Jesus simply taking,
life and rest and joy and peace.

Verse

I’m so glad I learned to trust Him.
Precious Jesus, Savior Friend.
And I know that God is with me.
Will be with me to the end

Scripture Reading Psalm 137

Alongside Babylon’s streams, there we sat down, crying because we remembered Zion. We hung our lyres up in the trees there because that’s where our captors asked us to sing; our tormentors requested songs of joy: “Sing us a song about Zion!” they said. But how could we possibly sing the Lord’s song on foreign soil? Jerusalem! If I forget you, let my strong hand wither! Let my tongue stick to the roof of my mouth if I don’t remember you, if I don’t make Jerusalem my greatest joy. Lord, remember what the Edomites did on Jerusalem’s dark day: “Rip it down, rip it down! All the way to its foundations!” they yelled. Daughter Babylon, you destroyer, a blessing on the one who pays you back the very deed you did to us! A blessing on the one who seizes your children and smashes them against the rock!

Message: God cares about our anger and lament.

Time of Reflection - Instrumental

Broken Man

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Upon the broken man we place ourselves and our plans we come rushing back again	And now we come to be a part of the broken man And now I take a little piece, somehow I take a little feast,
Upon the broken man we place our tired, trembling hands, though we don't understand	And now we take a little part of his suffering
And now I take a little piece, somehow I take a little feast,	And now peace is in our hands, And now peace is in our hands And now peace is in our hands, And now peace is in our hands

Holy Communion Celebrating Christ's Coming

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Grace, mercy, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, be with you all.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

(Consecration of the Bread)

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
and with fear and trembling stand,
ponder nothing earthly minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descended,
our full homage to command.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture
in the body and the blood -
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heav'nly food.
Highly Favored Congregation

Once He Came In Blessing

Once he came in blessing all our sins
redressing,
came in likeness lowly, Son of God most holy;
bore the cross to save us, hope and freedom
gave us.

Thus if we have known him, not ashamed to
own him,
nor have spurned him coldly, but will trust
him boldly,
he will then receive us, heal us, and forgive
us.

Still he comes within us, still his voice would
win us
from the sins that hurt us; would to truth
convert us
from our foolish error, ere he comes in terror.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you.

(Partake)

By your divine presence,
By the holy sacraments,
By all the merits of your life, sufferings, death and resurrection,
Bless and comfort us, gracious Lord and God. Amen.

(Consecration of the Cup)

In the same way, after supper our Lord Jesus Christ took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sin. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

As With Gladness Men of Old

As with gladness men of old
did the guiding star behold,
as with joy they hailed its light,
leading onward, beaming bright,
so, most gracious Lord, may we
evermore be led by thee.

As they offered gifts most rare
at thy cradle, rude and bare,
so may we with holy joy,
pure and free from sin's alloy,
all our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee, our heav'nly King.

For the Bread which you have Broken

For the bread which you have broken,
for the wine which you have poured,
for the words which you have spoken,
now we give you thanks, O Lord.

By this promise that you love us,
by your gift of peace restored,
by your call to heaven above us,
hallow all our lives, O Lord.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Drink from this, all of you. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.

(Partake)

Christ, the Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
Grant to us your peace. Amen.

Whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death,
Until he comes.

God With Us, God With Us

God with us, God with us,
God make known in human frame;
In his name rejoice with gladness,
Since to save the lost he came;
None sink in hopeless sadness,
For Immanuel is now with us,
God with us, God with us.

Blessings and Concerns

Ministry Opportunities

Graves Into Gardens

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I'm not afraid to show You my weakness
My failures and flaws
Lord You've seen them all
And You still call me friend
'Cause the God of the mountain
Is the God of the valley
And there's not a place
Your mercy and grace won't find me again

Chorus

Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing
Nothing is better than You

Bridge

You turn mourning to dancing
You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory
You're the only one who can

You turn graves into gardens
You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory
You're the only one who can **(Chorus)**

***Benediction**

Postlude

Please sign up to help during our Sunday worship service.

Today		Next Sunday Oct 9, 2022	
Sound		Sound	
Media		Media	Amy
Greeters/Usher		Greeters/Usher	
Reader		Reader	Tony
Music		Music	
Coffee		Coffee	

Support a WINGMAN!



September is WINGMAN month for WINGS. WINGMEN are men who support WINGS and advocate for men to be part of the conversation around, and solution to, domestic violence and gender based violence. You can sponsor a WINGMAN by clicking the link below or scanning the QR code with your phone. They hope to raise \$20,000 this September and EPCOR will match each of those dollars. By the way, Pastor Aaron is a WINGMAN this month. You can read why on our facebook page and MWCC Online.



Link: <https://raisefundswithease.com/Donate?a=166A926B-1FAE-4BDA-B7CC-28D373638567&c=WMDON>

Unity Prayer Watch

Please see the Sunday sign up binder for Millwoods Community Church Unity Prayer times. Write your name on the time slot you are able to help with. Melanie will be sure to get you a prayer package. This is a meaningful service that Moravians are known for, and it is noticed by non Moravians around the world.

Celebration Choir Held on Thursday night for 2022!

Are you, or someone you know wanting to join the Celebration Choir this upcoming fall? We have our rehearsals on Thursdays at 6:00pm where we will be doing some singing, snacking and chatting! We would love to welcome new members to the choir, even if they are not regular members who attend church on a weekly basis! Tell your friends and family!

JOSEPH: THE JOURNEY TO FORGIVENESS

BY: MELISSA SPOELSTRA Women's Fellowship Book Study

This six-week study explores what God has to say to us about grace and forgiveness through Joseph's story of trial and triumph found in Genesis 37-50. The workbook contains 5 studies for each week along with a viewer guide for taking notes from the weekly video sessions.

Held @ Millwoods Community Church , Fireside Room, 2304 - 38 Street, Edmonton, AB From: 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm Thursday Sept. 22, 2022; then on Wednesday's, Oct. 5, 19; Nov. 2, 16, 30
Inquires to Britt Wudel: gbwudel@gmail.com or 780-218-6385

PRAISING GOD THROUGH PRAYER AND WORSHIP: PSALMS

BIBLE STUDY SUNDAYS AFTER CHURCH 12:30-1:30

Praising God Through Prayer and Worship: Psalms - Kay Arthur, Pete DeLacy

Join Katie and Aaron in this inductive study of the Psalms. We will be starting on October 2nd after church and *will be meeting every other week* from 12/12:30-1pm. Those who join will “discover and experience the psalmists’ beautiful, heartfelt expressions - in prayer, in confession, in grief and in praise - of their love and devotion to God. As readers learn to observe, interpret, and apply the text themselves, their personal prayer times grow more profound and worship experiences more fulfilling.” Sign up today to join us! You can purchase the book on Amazon for \$13.00, please email Katie for the link. *If you have any questions, please contact Katie at tilbury@ualberta.ca. Please let Katie know today if you need her to order a book for you.*

Van Es Capital Reserve Fund Update

We have raised \$71,350.00. towards the retreat house renovation. Some of those funds were used to do the garage renovation. The garage was renovated to be our new craft room which was used during this summer camp. The target is to raise \$1,000,000 to address anticipated needs in the near future. Please donate to this cause. You can specify a project or give to the overall fund. VanEs mailing address is: VanEs Camp & Conference Centre PO Box 57063, Eastgate Sherwood Park, AB T8A 5L7

“Millwoods Community Church gathers on Treaty 6 Territory, the traditional lands of First Nations and Metis People, and on the former Papaschase Reservation.” [Learn more here.](#)

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