

KNOX SUNDAY WORSHIP

EASTER SUNDAY

April 9, 2023 (10:30 am)

♪↑ Rise to sing, as you are able

♪+ Remain seated to sing

Prelude: “The Bishop’s Fanfare”

Christopher Tambling

Welcoming & Candle Lighting

Responsive Call to Worship

This is the Good News – the light shines in the darkness and the darkness will never overcome it.

Hallelujah! Christ is risen.

This is the Good News: once we were no people;
now we are God’s people.

Hallelujah! Christ is risen.

This is the Good News – the grave is empty, and Christ is risen.

Hallelujah! Christ is risen indeed!

Let us worship God with Easter joy!

♪↑ **Hymn:** “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

VU 155

Trumpet Fanfare introduction

Trumpet Interlude (after verse 3)

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession (*together*)

**God of tender mercy,
we confess that faith doesn’t come easy every Easter.
When we face loss in our own lives, sorrow can weigh us down.
Our challenges can feel like a stone too heavy to roll away.
Forgive us, O God.
Let the hope of new life in Christ assure us
that the power of your love that raised Jesus will never let us go.
Amen.**



Assurance of Pardon

♪+ **Hymn:** "This Is the Day That God Has Made" VU 175

Scripture: Matthew 28:1-10, Resurrection of Jesus Christ

Anthem: "The Tomb Is Empty" Words: J. Paul Williams
Music: Jon Paige

Sermon: Easter Reflection

♪↑ **Communion Hymn:** "All Who Hunger" VU 460

Offering Prayer

Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift our hearts to God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy One, on this joyful Easter day to celebrate your resurrecting power:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Receive our praise and joy this day, O Christ. we proclaim our faith and our hope as we say:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

One: God, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

♪+ **The Lord's Prayer** VU 914

**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,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking the Bread and Pouring the Cup

The Body of Christ,

the Bread of Life.

The Lifeblood of Christ,

the Cup of Blessing.

The Gifts of God for the people of God,

Thanks be to God!

(Please be seated as the ushers bring the bread and cup to you and wait for everyone to receive the gifts. We will celebrate them together.)

Meditative Music: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

Robert Buckley Farlee

Sharing the Bread and Cup

♪↑ **Hymn:** "Thine Is the Glory" VU 173

Commissioning and Benediction

♪↑ **Benediction Response:** “Halle, Halle, Halle”

VU 958

Halle, halle, halle - lujah!

Halle, halle, halle - lujah!

Halle, halle, halle - lujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! (3 times)

Postlude: “Trumpet Tune”

John Stanley
arr. Henry Coleman

Worship Leaders:

Presider & Preacher: Rev. Richard Chung

Scripture Reader: Gloria Candido

Music Director and Pianist: Colleen Coulter

Organist: Madelene Klassen

Trumpeter: Derry Byrne

Ministry of Music: Knox Choir

Ushers/Greeters: Marg Derksen, Dave Cass

Communion Servers: Phil King, Sandra Trueman, Catherine Shen,
Helena Ho

Livestreaming Recording: Kevin Wong

Webminder: Debra Danny

April 9: Easter Sunday

Text: Matthew 28:1-10, Resurrection of Jesus Christ

Title: Easter Reflection

Synopsis: Jesus rose from the dead. It's the most incredible event in history. What does the resurrection event mean to you and your life?

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KNOX UNITED CHURCH

Mission: "We exist to love God and love our neighbours" (Matthew 22: 36-40)

Vision: "We aspire to engage our neighbours through the arts, building a community without loneliness."

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