

# KNOX SUNDAY WORSHIP

## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

April 16, 2023 (10:30 am)

♪↑ Rise to sing, as you are able

♪+ Remain seated to sing

**Prelude:** “Morning Has Broken”

Richard Proulx

**Welcoming & Candle Lighting**

**Responsive Call to Worship**

We are called by the risen Christ to go and make disciples of all nations.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit, we will share the good news of God's grace.**

As we gather to worship, let us be transformed by the love of Christ.

**May our lives be a testimony to the hope of the resurrection.**

♪↑ **Hymn:** “Welcome, Happy Morning”

VU 161

**Prayer of Adoration**

**Prayer of Confession (*together*)**

**Gracious God, we confess that we often fail to live as resurrection witnesses.**

**We turn away from the opportunities you give us to share your grace with others.**

**Forgive us for our reluctance and hesitation and help us to embrace the Great Commission with renewed enthusiasm and commitment.**

**Amen.**

♪+ **Hymn:** “Kyrie”

VU 946

Kyrie eleison,  
kyrie eleison,  
kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy,  
Lord, have mercy,  
Lord, have mercy on us.

**Assurance of Pardon**

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

**Anthem:** “Revive Us Again”

Words: William P. Mackay

Music: John J. Husband; Arr.: Mark Hayes

**Sermon:** “Make Disciples of All Nations”: Embracing the Great Commission

**Meditative Music:** “Recit de Cornet”

François Couperin

♪↑ **Offering Hymn:** For the Gift of Creation

VU 538

For the gift of creation,  
the gift of your love,  
and the gift of the Spirit  
by which we live,  
we thank you and give you  
the fruit of our hands.  
May your grace be pro-claimed  
by the gifts that we give.

**Offering Prayer**

**Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

**The Lord's Prayer (together)**

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.**

♪↑ **Hymn:** Lord, You Give the Great Commission  
*(verses 1, 2 and 5 only)*

VU 512

**Commissioning and Benediction**

♪↑ **Benediction Response:** "Halle, Halle, Halle"  
**Halle, halle, halle - Iujah!**  
**Halle, halle, halle - Iujah!**  
**Halle, halle, halle - Iujah!**  
**Hallelujah! Hallelujah! (3 times)**

VU 958

**Postlude:** "Trumpet Voluntary in G"

David Lasky

**Worship Leaders:**

Presider & Preacher: Rev. Richard Chung  
Scripture Reader: Mary Bliss  
Music Director and Pianist: Colleen Coulter  
Organist: Madelene Klassen  
Ministry of Music: Knox Choir  
Ushers/Greeters: Marg and Phil King, Dave Cass  
Livestreaming Recording: Kevin Wong  
Webminder: Debra Danny

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**April 16: First Sunday After Easter**

**Text:** Matthew 28:16-20, The Great Commission

**Title:** "Make Disciples of All Nations": Embracing the Great Commission

**Synopsis:** Jesus commissions his disciples to go and make disciples of all nations. We are called to live as resurrection witnesses, sharing the good news of God's grace with others.

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We acknowledge we worship on the unceded territories of the x\_wm\_əθk\_wəy'əm\_\_ (Musqueam), S\_kw\_x\_wú7mesh (Squamish), and Sel'il\_witulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations. We thank them for having cared for this land and look forward to relating with them as covenant people of God as we continue to care for this land together.

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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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