

## *Preparing for Worship Today*

- Today's service is also being live-streamed for the participation of those who can't join us physically today.
- Congregational responses are printed in ***bold italics***.
- Pray for those who will be leading us in our worship today!



## A SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

### Prelude

### *The Gathering of the People of God*

#### **Sung Processional** (*TIS 390, selected verse*)

##### Refrain

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,  
alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth:  
Jesus has died and has risen.

##### *Refrain*

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#### **Call to Worship**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

***Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!***

The Lord be with you!

***And also with you!***

Come, put your trust in the LORD.

***For the Lord has power to set us free.***

The Lord puts gladness in our hearts,

***in God alone do we dwell in safety.***

*(ex Psalm 4.6,7,8)*

#### **Prayer of invocation**

**Hymn 375** Come, let us with our Lord arise

1. Come, let us with our Lord arise,  
our Lord, who made both earth and skies;  
who died to save the world he made,  
and rose triumphant from the dead;  
he rose, the prince of life and peace,  
and stamped the day for ever his.

2. This is the day the Lord has made,  
that all may see his love displayed,  
may feel his resurrection's power,  
and rise again to fall no more,  
in perfect righteousness renewed,  
and filled with all the life of God.

3. Then let us render him his own,  
with solemn prayer approach the throne,  
with meekness hear the gospel word,  
with thanks his dying love record;  
our joyful hearts and voices raise,  
and fill his courts with songs of praise.

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

*cf 1 Timothy 1.2*

### With the Children

## *The Word Spoken: Scripture and Preaching*

### The Testimony of Scripture

Your word, O Lord, is a lamp to our feet  
**and a light to our path.**

Acts 3.1-19 *In the name of Jesus*

Psalms 4 *I lie down in peace* [PCS 3]

Helen L. Wright



**In the night I can take my rest; you a-lone keep my life se-cure.**

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*We stand for the gospel reading and  
join with the cantor in the Alleluia after the opening note:*

REFRAIN

Hal H. Hopson



**Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!**

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Then Jesus opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he  
said to them:  
You are witnesses of these things.

*(Luke 24:45,48, NRSV)*

### Refrain

Luke 24.36b-48 *Peace be with you*

This is the gospel of the Lord.

**Sung: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### The Preaching of the Word

**LITBIT:** The sermon should say in word from the texts the same thing  
the bread and cup say in sign: the body and blood of Christ, given  
and shed for you. Take. Eat. Drink. Believe. Live.'

GORDON LATHROP

### Prayer of Confession

### Declaration of Forgiveness

...hear, then, Christ's word of grace to us:  
Your sins are forgiven.

### Thanks be to God!

### Doxology

Glo - ry to God... in the high - est and  
peace to Gods'peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n-ly king, al-migh-ty God. and...  
Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you. for\_ your glo-ry.  
Lord Je-susChrist, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the

sins of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the  
 Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the  
 ho - ly one, You a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the most high,  
 Je - sus Christ with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.  
 A - men. A - men. A - - - men.

**The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*And also with you.*

**The Apostles' Creed**

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
 creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
 born of the Virgin Mary,  
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, died, and was buried;  
 he descended to the dead.  
 On the third day he arose again;  
 he ascended into heaven,  
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic Church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.*

*The Visible Word: Eucharist*

Hymn 506 Author of life divine

1. Author of life divine,  
 you have a table spread,  
 furnished with mystic wine  
 and everlasting bread;  
 preserve the life yourself have given,  
 preserve the life yourself have given,  
 and feed and train us up to heaven.

2. Our needy souls supply  
 with fresh supplies of love,  
 till all your life we gain,  
 and all your fullness prove,  
 and, strengthened by your perfect grace,  
 and, strengthened by your perfect grace,  
 behold without a veil your face.

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**The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.  
*And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, hea - ven and earth are  
full of your glo - ry, ho - sa - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r 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!*

*Hosanna in the highest!*

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

*Christ has died.*

*Christ is risen.*

*Christ will come again.*

Bless-ing and hon - our, glo - ry and pow'r are yours for - e - ver and ev - er, are yours for - e - ver and ev - er.

*Blessing and honour, glory and pow'r*

*are yours forever and ever,*

*are yours forever and ever.*

## The Lord's Prayer

**LITURGY** The *ecclesiology* of the Lord's prayer is this: the assembly is the community given this prayer, taught it in baptism, repeating it at Eucharist, invited to stand articulately with humanity—indeed, with all things—where Christ is amid the loss and fear. The assembly is made up of ordinary people, people themselves in need but also people willing to stand with the need of others. The assembly is also the community which, by the power of the Spirit and the presence of the Risen One, is given now, as an earnest-gift of all that God intends for the world, the bread and forgiveness that the world needs. The assembly is the community, therefore, that confesses the enfolding presence of the triune God and is called to practice the word of forgiveness and the meal of resurrection.

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*Our Father in heaven,*

*hallowed be your name,*

*your kingdom come,*

*your will be done,*

*on earth as in heaven.*

*Give us today our daily bread.*

*Forgive us our sins,*

*as we forgive those who sin against us.*

*Save us from the time of trial*

*and deliver us from evil.*

*For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours*

*now and for ever. Amen.*

## The Breaking of the Bread

### The Communion

*The United Church recognises this Table as the Lord's and, so, open to all who would normally commune in their home congregations.*

*After the invitation, and commencing from the front rows, please come forward two rows at a time, and stand in a line before the Table. Please leave a gap at the centre aisle to enable ease of access for all. Communion is presently only being distributed under the 'kind' of the bread, to minimise any potential for COVID-19 infection.*

## Prayers of the People

### [Offering]

*For the time-being, financial offerings will not be collected from the pews  
but should be made in the designated offering box as you enter the church. If you miss  
the opportunity, you can put it in the box after the service!*

### Notices

## *The Sending Forth of the People of God*

### Hymn 380 Yours be the glory

1. Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory over death you've won;  
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes, where your body lay.

#### REFRAIN

Yours be the glory, risen, conquering Son,  
endless is the victory over death you've won.

2. See, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;  
let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,  
for the Lord is living, death has lost its sting.  
Refrain
3. No more we doubt you, glorious Prince of life;  
life is naught without you: aid us in our strife;  
make us more than conquerors through your deathless love;  
bring us safe through Jordan to your home above.  
Refrain

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## Word of Mission and Blessing

### Postlude

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