

KING CITY UNITED CHURCH

*A Vibrant, Caring, Christian Family
Proclaiming the Good News of God's Love
Through Jesus Christ!*

May 1, 2022

Third Sunday of Easter

(* Please rise as you are able)**

(Words in **Bold** said by all)

... WITH OPEN DOORS ...

Prelude: Gavotte from "Otho" G.F. Handel

Welcome, Life & Work with King City UC

The Lighting of the Worship Candle

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; those who follow me will not walk in darkness." This candle reminds us of the presence of Christ in our midst.

Thanks be to God.

Call to Worship

*****Hymn "O Worship the King" VU 235**

- 1 O worship the King, all glorious above,
O gratefully sing God's power and God's love;
our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
pavilioned in splendour, and girded with praise.**

- 2 O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
and broad is God's path on the wings of the storm.**

- 3 The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, your power has founded of old;
has stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.**

- 4 Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;**

**it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.**

**5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.**

Opening Prayer

Words of Assurance

Response: "Christ Is Risen from the Dead" VU 167, Easter verse
Christ is risen from the dead, glory, hallelujah!
Christ is risen from the dead, glory, hallelujah!
Jesus Christ is risen, glory, hallelujah!
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***** Affirmation of Faith: A New Creed**
We are not alone, we live in God's world.
We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us. We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

... WITH OPEN MINDS ...

For The Child in All of Us

Hymn: "Will Your Anchor Hold" VU 675

**1 Will your anchor hold in the storms of life?
When the clouds unfold their wings of strife,
when the strong tides lift and the cables strain,
will your anchor drift or firm remain?
We have an anchor that keeps the soul
steadfast and sure while the billows roll,
fastened to the rock which cannot move,
grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love!**

**2 It will surely hold in the straits of fear,
when the breakers tell that the reef is near;
though the tempest rave and the wild winds blow,
not an angry wave shall our bark o'erflow. R**

**3 It will surely hold in the floods of death,
when the waters cold chill our latest breath;
on the rising tide it can never fail
while our hopes abide within the veil. R**

**4 When our eyes behold, through the gathering night,
the city of gold, our harbour bright,
we shall anchor fast by the heavenly shore,
with the storms all past for evermore. R**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading John 21: 1-19

These are the words of life, which in faith become the Living Word!
Thanks be to God.

Response: "Spirit of the Living God" VU 376, vs 1

**1 Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

Ministry of Music

Sermon: "Let's Go Fishing" The Rev. Bruce J. Roffey

Music for Silent Reflection

Hymn: "Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me"

VU 637

1 Jesus, Saviour, pilot me
over life's tempestuous sea;
unknown waves before me roll,
hiding rock and treacherous shoal;
chart and compass come from thee,
Jesus, Saviour, pilot me.

2 As a mother stills her child,
thou canst hush the ocean wild;
boisterous waves obey thy will
when thou biddest them 'Be still.'
Wondrous sovereign of the sea,
Jesus, Saviour, pilot me.

3 When at last I near the shore,
and the fearful breakers roar
'twixt me and the peaceful land,
still supported by thy hand,
may I hear thee say to me,
'Fear not, I will pilot thee.'

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

***Offertory Hymn: "*We Give Thee But Thine Own*" VU 543, v.1

We give thee but thine own
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O God, from thee.

***Offertory Prayer (Unison)

O God, you are the Easter One. You are the holy source of resurrection. You are the shining spirit of life. We offer these gifts in gratitude for hope returned, for the mystery of your grace, and for the promise of resurrection. Amen.

Pastoral Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

... WITH FAITH OPEN TO THE WEEK AHEAD ...

*****Hymn: *"Lord, As We Rise to Leave"* VU 417**

- 1 God, as we rise to leave this shell of worship,
called to the risk of unprotected living,
willing to be at one with all your people,
we ask for courage.**

- 2 For all the strain with living interwoven,
for the demands each day will make upon us,
and for the love we owe the modern city,
God, make us cheerful.**

- 3 Give us an eye for openings to serve you;
make us alert when calm is interrupted,
ready and wise to use the unexpected;
sharpen our insight.**

- 4 Lift from our life the blanket of convention;
give us the nerve to lose our life to others;
be with your church in death and resurrection,
God of all ages.**

*****Commissioning / Benediction**

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

Jesus said to Peter that if he loved him he must care for Jesus' sheep and follow him.

**Likewise, we are called to follow Jesus the Christ, so let us go
back into the world to care for others.**

May the loving power of God,
which raised Jesus to new life,
strengthen you in hope,

enrich you with his love,
and fill you with joy in the faith.

Amen.

*****Choral Prayer: "May the God of Hope Go with Us" VU 424, vs 1**

**May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.**

**Praying, let us work for peace,
singing, share our joy with all,
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.**

*****Extinguishing of the Christ Candle**

Christ has been with us sharing the light of life.

He says to us, "You are the light of the world. Let your light shine."

**We go forth taking with us the light of Christ in our hearts, and
we promise to let it shine in the world through our good works,
to the glory of God. Amen.**

Postlude:

"Canon in D"

J. Pachelbel



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship services

King City UC worships at 10:00 in-person. Worship Schedule follows:

Date	May 8 th	May 15 th	May 22 nd	May 29 th
Preacher	Rev. Andrew Lee	Rev. Bruce Roffey	Rev. Andrew Lee	Rev. Bruce Roffey
Music Director	Rosemary Karunaratne	Rosemary Karunaratne	Rosemary Karunaratne	Rosemary Karunaratne
Church Year	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Seventh Sunday of Easter
Liturgical Colour	White	White	White	White

Church Office Closed April 22-May 16

Our Office Administrator, Kristen, will be on vacation April 26 to May 12. The phones and email will be checked periodically.

YUM Calendar

May 3rd at 7:30 p.m. Oversight Team Meeting

In-Person Pastoral Counselling

Rev. Lee offers pastoral counseling. Please contact Rev. Lee to make an appointment (leeky3@mcmaster.ca)

“Praise With Us!”

Let’s sing together! Please watch our YouTube channel. Our stories and songs will be uploaded continually. If you want to share your stories or songs, please contact Rev. Lee (leeky3@mcmaster.ca). While being invited, Rev. Lee offers a sing-a-long time.

Offering

Thank you for sending your offerings to the church. Your offerings support the ministry of the church and have been much appreciated. Please mail a cheque to your church directly or make an e-transfer to the church email address.