

# **KING CITY UNITED CHURCH**

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

**April 17, 2022**

**Easter Sunday**

**(\*\*\* Please rise as you are able)**

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

**... WITH OPEN DOORS ...**

**Prelude: "Easter Prelude" D. Buxtehude**

**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: "This Is the Day" VU 412, vs 1**

**1 This is the day, this is the day  
that our God has made, that our God has made;  
we will rejoice, we will rejoice,  
and be glad in it, and be glad in it.  
This is the day that our God has made,  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.  
This is the day, this is the day  
that our God has made.**

## **Opening Prayer**

**\*\*\*Hymn "Morning Has Broken" VU 409**

**1 Morning has broken like the first morning,  
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**

**2 Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,**

like the first dewfall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

**3 Ours is the sunlight! Ours is the morning  
born of the one light Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation, praise every morning,  
God's recreation of the new day!**

**Prayer of Confession**

**Words of Assurance**

**Response: "*Christ Is Risen from the Dead*" VU 167, Easter verse  
Christ is risen from the dead, glory, hallelujah!  
Jesus Christ is risen, glory, hallelujah!.**

**\*\*\* 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: "*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*"  
1 Christ the Lord is risen today, Hallelujah!  
all creation join to say; Hallelujah!**

**VU 157**



**\*\*\*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: "Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks" VU 179**

**Refrain: Hallelujah, hallelujah.**

**Give thanks to the risen Christ;  
hallelujah, hallelujah!  
Give praise to God's name.**

- 1 Jesus is Lord of all the earth,  
firstborn of all creation. R**
- 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:  
Jesus has died and is risen. R**
- 3 We have been crucified with Christ,  
now we shall live for ever. R**
- 4 Come let us praise the living God,  
joyfully sing to our Saviour. R.**

**\*\*\*Commissioning / Benediction**

Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!**

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: "The Trees of the Field"**

**S. Dauermann**



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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Worship services**

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

Date	April 24 <sup>th</sup>	May 1 <sup>st</sup>	May 8 <sup>th</sup>	May 15 <sup>th</sup>
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	Second Sunday of Easter	Third Sunday of Easter	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Fifth Sunday of Easter
Liturgical Colour	White	White	White	White

### **YUM Calendar**

April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. NHUC's Council Meeting

May 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

### **Walking to the Cross**

The ministers will lead the program, "Walking to the Cross" in the University of Toronto (St. George Campus) on April 30<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It is intended as a meditational walk to the meaning of Jesus' cross. You will see cherry blossoms and meet two amateur tour guides who spent more than 10 years of full-time and/or part-time study in the University of Toronto. Free registration. All generations are welcomed. Details will be announced.

## **York Pines Book Club**

The next Book Club meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 7 p.m. They will be discussing the book *Extraordinary Canadians* by Peter Mansbridge. The facilitator for this meeting will be Rosemarie Ehrat. If you are interested in joining the Book Club contact York Pines United Church by sending an email to [yorkpinesuc@gmail.com](mailto:yorkpinesuc@gmail.com) or calling 905-727-8118.

## **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.

## **Minute for Mission**

*"Jesus put compassion into action every day he lived"*

There is one thing that will never fail us: compassion.

Acts of compassion both big and small give rise to peace. We can't wave a magic wand and bring about world peace, but with every act of compassion we harness the power of love, the same love Jesus lived and died for and that he promised would move mountains.

Over two years since the COVID-19 pandemic began to sweep the globe, life has become harder for millions of families.

148,000,000 more people are having trouble putting food on the table than in 2019. Last year more than 80,000,000 people around the world were forced to flee their homes because of rising violence and conflict; half of them were children. In the last two years, visits to Canadian food banks have climbed 20 percent, with the cost of food predicted to rise 5–7 percent this year.

When people don't have what they need to survive, conflict is inevitable.

That's why your generosity matters so much.

The food security initiatives, refugee support work, educational programs, as well as emergency and advocacy efforts your gifts through Mission & Service support aren't just about food, safety, education, and human rights.

They are ultimately about peace. And in a world where division tears the fabric that binds us together, that's everything.

Jesus put compassion into action every day he lived. He brought hope into every room he walked into. He was literally the calm in the storm. He stretched out his arms in the ultimate sacrifice of love, and the world was never the same. The Easter story is a testament to our ability to make a powerful, positive difference.

Every act of compassion gives rise to peace. Thank you for your generosity through Mission & Service. Your gifts truly do help move mountains.