

# WESLEY UNITED CHURCH

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Wesley United Church is a community of Jesus Christ nurturing spiritual growth,  
pursuing social action, and loving and caring for ourselves and others.

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## EASTER DAY

## RESURRECTION SUNDAY

**April 1, 2018 10:30 a.m.**

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### Assisting in Worship

**Reader:** Maureen Kolot

**Communion Servers:** Genevieve Blais, Kathy Blais,  
John McKenzie, Laura Thomson

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Congregational responses are indicated by bold italics.

**\* You are invited to stand**

## WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

\*WE SING VU #155

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

GATHERING WORDS

Christ is risen, God is alive, new birth is given!

***Jesus Christ is with us! Hallelujah!***

Christ is risen, hope is alive, a new age is dawning!

***Jesus Christ is with us! Hallelujah!***

Christ is risen, Joy is alive, redemption is here!

***Jesus Christ is with us! Hallelujah!***

Christ is risen, we are alive new life is within us!

***Jesus Christ is with us! Hallelujah!***

The church is alive, God's Spirit is within us, let us celebrate the God of resurrection!

***Jesus Christ is with us! Hallelujah!***

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

We light this candle in remembrance of the Christ, calling us to inclusivity, diversity and radical neighbour love so that we might open our hearts to More Voices:

***seeking Wisdom through listening caring, and connection.***

WELCOME

OUR OPENING PRAYER

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

\*WE SING VU #412

This Is the Day

**WE LISTEN**

SUNG PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

ANTHEM

Resurrection Alleluias  
by Mark Hayes

SPECULATION

## **WE RESPOND**

\*WE SING VU #166                      Joy Comes with the Dawn

MINUTE FOR MISSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE ARE CHALLENGED TO SHARE

OFFERTORY

\*OUR RESPONSE                      Wesley Offering Song

People let us work together, striving for community

All are welcome in the circle, centre of  
diversity

Sharing, caring, learning, growing

Rising to each neighbour's needs

Celebrating all creation, following where Jesus  
leads

\*WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

## **WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNITY**

WE SHARE THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all...

***and also with you.***

\*WE SING VU #469

We Gather Here

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

God be with you.

***And also with you.***

Lift up your hearts.

***We lift our hearts in prayer.***

Let us give thanks to God.

***It is good to give God thanks and praise.***

Blessed are you,...

...So it is that we join the song of all creation to  
proclaim your goodness:

***Holy, holy, holy God,***

***power of life and love!***

***Heaven and earth are full of your glory!***

***Hosanna through the ages!***

***Blest is the One who comes to bring your  
justice to earth!***

Born to an unwed mother living in an occupied  
country....

...that our lives may sing the mystery of faith:

***Christ has died***

***Christ is risen***

***Christ will come again***

BLESSING THE BREAD AND CUP

***Amen.***

We gather these and all our prayers, as a mother hen gathers her brood, as we pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us all those years ago:

***...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,  
the power, and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.***

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

TIME OF SILENCE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## **WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

\*WE SING VU #187

The Spring Has Come

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE