

Trinity United Church: Collingwood

April 18, 2021

Third Sunday of Easter

Jesus Christ is Risen

Welcome to Trinity United Church. We strive to be a safe community for all; regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, religious affiliation, sexual orientation or gender identification. We are all invited guests of God.

We acknowledge that for many thousands of years the indigenous people of Turtle Island walked on this land. We are thankful to share in the special spirit of this place, rich in the energy of Mother Earth and the love of all Creation.

Lighting Christ Candle

Hymn 187 The Spring Has Come (first verse)

The spring has come, let all the church be part of it!

The world has changed, and God is at the heart of it!

New light, new day, new colour after winter grey. New light, new day, the spring has come, let all the church be part of it!

He is risen...

He is risen indeed!!!

Opening Prayer (adapted from Ted Loder)

Elusive yet attending God, here we are at the Sunday where Doubt and Faith find company...

Why isn't the purpose of your universe clearly evident; principles of relativity, uncertainty, probabilities, chaos dynamics and resurrection stories add to our wonderment even as they deepen your complexity.

Our truest hope is that your story will bring the faith required to give us clarity of heart.

That we will live lives that bring cures; symphonies and laughter; peace and community; trust and justice; reconciliation and joy.

That we will be become your Risen Body of Christ
The one who walks through walls to bring peace and abundant life to all.

AMEN

Hymn 334 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name!

Let angels prostrate fall;

bring forth the royal diadem,

and crown him, crown him, crown him,

crown him Lord of all.

O seed of Israel's chosen race

Now ransomed from the fall,

Hail him who saves you by his grace

and crown him, crown him, crown him,

crown him Lord of all.

*Crown him, you martyrs of your God,
who from his alter call;
praise him whose way of pain you trod,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.*

*Let every tongue and every tribe,
Responsive to the call,
To him all majesty ascribe
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.*

*O that, with all the sacred throng,
we at his feet may fall,
join in the everlasting song,
and crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him Lord of all.*

Early Christian Story Acts 3: 12-19

*Hymn 20 God of Still Waiting from More Voices
God of still waiting, God of deep longing,
God of the heart's true rest:
Hold us in fathomless peace,
Guard us with unwaning love.*

*Spirit of promise, Spirit of purpose,
Spirit of ceaseless prayer:*

*Bathe us in life full and free,
Kindle our wonder and hope.*

*Word who comes to us, Word who lives with us,
Word who disturbs and heals:
Silence our chattering fears,
Waken our unconscious faith.*

*Word true and faithful, hope bringing Spirit,
God of enfolding love:
Come in your fullness and grace;
Work through our lives for your praise.*

Epistle 1 John 3: 1-7

Gospel Reading Luke 24: 36b- 48

Sermon "Food for Faith" Rev. Brian Goodings

Pastoral and Lord's Prayer 960 in Voices United

**Invitation and Acknowledgement of Offerings
Prayer of Dedication**

*Hymn 186 Now the Green Blade Rises
Now the green blade rises from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been:
love is come again, like wheat arising green.*

*In the grave they laid him, love by hatred slain,
thinking that he would never wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen;
love is come again, like wheat arising green.*

*Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;
love is come again, like wheat arising green.*

*When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have
been;
love is come again, like wheat arising green.*

Benediction "Go Now In Peace"
*Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. AMEN.*

Postlude