St. Davids-Queenston United Church

April 20, 2025, 10:30am, Easter Sunday

GATHERING AND MUSICAL PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS)

LIGHTING THE CANDLE

(A candle is lit) As we light the candle, we acknowledge that there is still pain and suffering in the world, but we place our trust in God and in the way shown by Jesus Christ.

In the midst of darkness, there is light. In the pain of death, there is life. In the face of what appear to us to be overwhelming odds, God is at work in us and in the world, working for justice and peace, compassion and love, and life abundant.

Leader:

He is risen! Alleluia!

People;

Alleluia! He is risen, indeed!

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the twilight of dawn, as night gives way to day,

may our faith in Christ sustain us in our struggle.

In the mystery of the tomb, as death gives way to life,

may the peace of Christ comfort us when we despair.

In the promise of the garden, as fear gives way to joy,

may the hope of Christ renew our lives this day.

In the presence of the risen Christ, with new life proclaimed, triumphant and abundant,

may the love of Christ break into our lives once more. Hallelujah! Let us worship God, waving palm branches and singing together.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: VU#164 "The Day of Resurrection (vs 1)

Leader: As we rejoice in the gift of Christ's risen presence with us - we celebrate His resurrection. The choir requests that the congregation sing with them when prompted in 'Christ the Lord is Risen Today' (please stand)

Choir-HE IS RISEN! RISEN INDEED!

Mark Hill

- 1. Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia! Riase your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing ye heav'ns and earth reply: Alleluia!
- Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Dying once He all doth save. Alleluia! Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!
- 3. Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made - let us rejoice and be glad in it! As we celebrate the great gift of Jesus Christ that he died for our sins and yet has risen, may we reflect and be grateful for God's boundless and everlasting love for us.

People: Thanks be to God!

GATHERING PRAYER

Jesus, our brother and teacher, our friend and master, in your resurrected glory, you have come to many: those who believe and turn to you and those who cannot. In this hour of worship, open our spirits to be attentive, our hearts to receive, and our faith to believe in you. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Sung) VU#960

ST. DAVIDS-QUEENSTON UNITED CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT:

Welcoming all to: Gather in God's Grace,

Grow in Christian Faith and Go in Community Service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PRESENTATION -Sing Out an Easter Song

Narration

Choir-AH, HOLY JESUS

Cruger/Matheny

Narration

Choir- IN REMEMBRANCE

Buryl Red

Luke 23:33-46 (The Crucifixion of Jesus)

Choir: -THERE IS A GREEN HILL FAR AWAY Martin

John 19:16-30 (The Death of Jesus)

Choir: AVE VERUM

W.A. Mozart

Matthew 28:1-10 (The Resurrection of Jesus)

John 20:11-18 (Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene)

Choir-RISE UP EASTER MORNING!

Joseph Martin

Choir-GLORIA IN EXCELSIS!

Vivaldi

Leader:

He is risen!

People:

Risen indeed!

EASTER MESSAGE & PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

^{*} HYMN: VU #179 "Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks"

*OFFERTORY HYMN: (to the tune of Edelweiss)

God of love, hear our prayer, bless this offering we bring you. May our lives do your will, guide and guard us forever. Give us the courage to stand for truth, help us care for others. God of love, hear our prayer, bless this offering we bring you.

*OFFERING PRAYER:

Loving God, all good gifts around us come from you. God of all creation, thank you that in Jesus' resurrection, we arise to new life in body, mind, and spirit. Bless us as we share the abundance of this resurrection, in our witness and service, as we join Creation in declaring your majesty. May we bear wonderful fruit that we might flourish in abundance and use all good gifts to live for you. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN: VU#173 "Thine is the Glory"

*COMMISSIONING AND VESPER

Praise God for the gift of worship. Praise God in advance for being with us through whatever will unfold this week. Praise God that God is with us each day. Go with praise. Go with patience. Go with God. Amen.

Go now in peace, never be afraid,
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry 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

* ORGAN POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the CE hall following the Worship service this morning.

Thank you to Florence Turner for being the greeter, to Larry McRae for being the Lay Reader, to Nikole Amato for leading the Sunday school, to Lisa and the choir, to Anthony Scaringi, Christina Travers and the Sunday school children for their musical contribution, to the ladies in the kitchen for preparing coffee and goodies for the coffee hour and to Allen Zhang/Bill Utting/Steve Hardaker for livestreaming the Worship Service this morning.

The Queenston Women's Chorus in collaboration with the Niagara Men's Chorus will be presenting a choral concert on Saturday April 26th at 7 p.m. titled 'Spring Awakenings' at Trillium United Church, 415 Linwell Road, St. Catharines. The program will feature the beauty of modern choral works focusing on the renewal and vibrancy of spring. Both choirs will present selections on their own and will join to sing several uplifting selections together. Tickets are available at the door - \$20/adults and \$15/students - or from Melanie, Marianne or Lisa.

Our choir will be singing at the 100th Centennial Celebration Concert at Welland Central United Church on Sunday May 4th at 4 p.m. Over 10 choirs in the Niagara region will be participating and the concert will culminate in a massed choir presentation that will be filmed for Vision TV to be televised on the United Church's 100th anniversary on June 10th. All are welcome to attend.

Continuing prayers have been requested for Rosemary Irwin, Bob Kerr, Owen Calhoun, Jim Griffiths, Roy & Jennie Harwood, Michael Antoniuk, Sandi Sinclair, Neil Foss, Ginny Slingerland, Elizabeth Whan and Anthony Logan Siconolfi.

Prayers for Paula Chant, wife of Michael Fisher, and Elizabeth Whan, 1st cousin of Michael Fisher on the death of Michael on April 9th in England.

Continuing prayers have also been requested for Lenore Cardif-Hinchliffe, Josephine Weatherall, Mary Kolbuc and family, Marcia Tyrell, Ray & Chris Smith, Sandra Dunn, Patti Pozzobon and the Vanderburg family.

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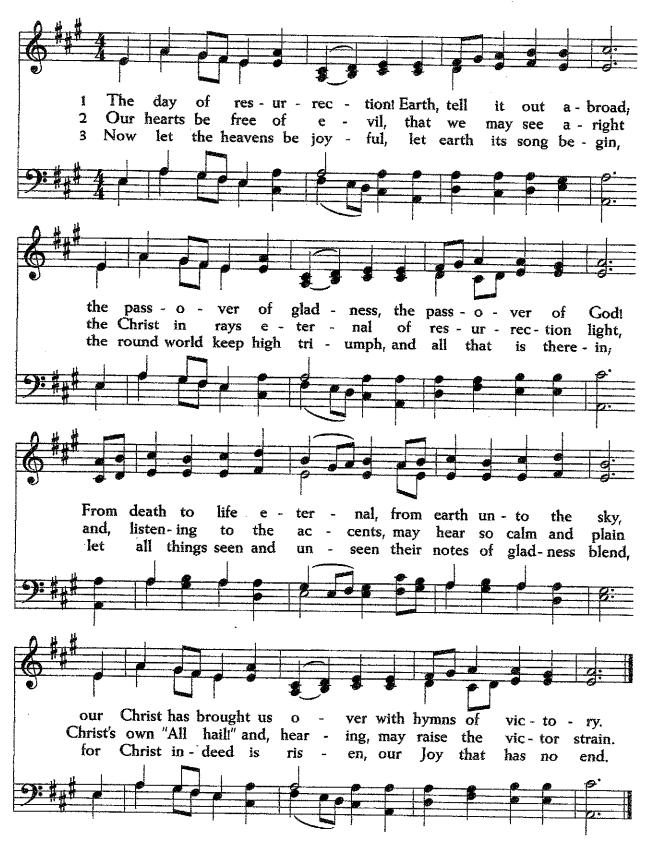
Organist and Choir Director: Lisa Brillon

Sunday school Teachers: Christina Travers, Amanda Xu, Nikole Amato, Sue Foss, Enoch Cho.

Administrative Secretary: Darlene Romanowsky (sdqsecretary@bellnet.ca)

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The Day of Resurrection



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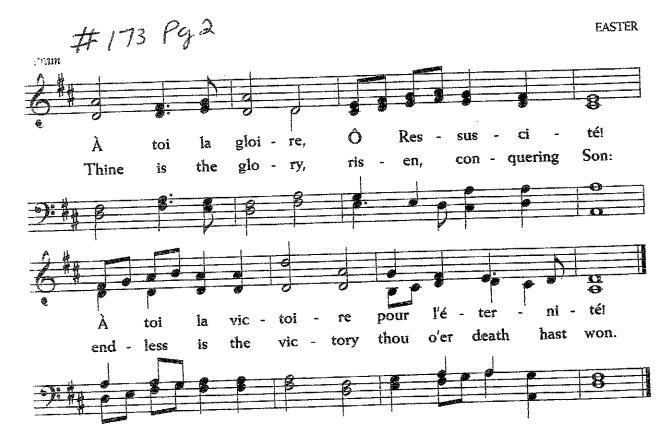
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Thine Is the Glory (À toi la gloire)





3 Craindrais-je encore?
Il vit à jamais,
celui que j'adore,
le prince de paix;
il est ma victoire,
mon puissant soutien,
ma vie et ma gloire:
non, je ne crains rient

Refrain

3 No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life, life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife, make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love, bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

Refrain