

# *Oromocto Pastoral Charge*

*The United Church of Canada*

*April, 14th, 2024*

*The people of the Oromocto Pastoral Charge welcome you. May there be a blessing for you in this house today.*

*\*Please Stand as you are able, sit as you prefer\**

## **Greeting:**

Jesus proclaims, "You are the light of the world."

**Thanks be to God**

## **Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**\*Introit: This is the Day VU 412**

*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.*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Hymn Breathe on Me Breath of God VU 382**

## **Call to Worship**

We gather with joy, for Easter brings us new life.

**The Risen Christ is with us wherever we go.**

Love breaks all bonds and unites us in hope.

**Christ has defeated death. Let us rejoice and be glad!**

Come and worship with hearts full of praise.

**O God, receive our grateful Hallelujahs!**

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Our Minister, **Reverend Lori Beth Sheffield-Bowles**, is in her Office this week: **Wednesday and Thursday 9-12pm**

She is available outside of these hours by chance Sunday-Thursday or by appointment. Please note that Rev. Lori Beth is out of the office on Fridays and Saturdays. Rev. Lori Beth can be reached in the following ways:

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If you know of someone who is ill, in hospital or who would like a visit from the Minister, please talk to Reverend Lori Beth.

## **Next Week's Scripture:**

We follow the Revised Common Lectionary for our services. Our service next week will be based on the following scripture: **Acts 3:12–19, Psalm 4 (VU p. 727), 1 John 3:1–7, Luke 24:36b–48**

*The bulletin covers this morning are donated in loving memory of a wonderful husband and father James Edwin Morton who passed away on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012, donated by his wife Marie and son Chris. Loved and missed every day.*

*The bulletin covers for April 7<sup>th</sup> 2024 was donated in loving memory of Tracy (Blake) Delong by Dad and Mom, Ernie and Merle Blake.*

## Prayer of the Day

**Holy and Loving God, we praise you for calling us to be your people and for saving us and gathering us in as your beloved people. We pray that you, renew us this day through the ministry of your Holy Spirit. May we hear your holy word as you intend us to hear it, and may we glorify Christ Jesus, your living Word, in all that we say and do, both now, and forever and ever. Amen.**

Let us pray in the words Jesus taught us saying...

### Our Father

### The Lord's Prayer

**\*Children's Hymn** Jesus Loves Me 365

### Time for All Ages- A Hunt

### Scripture

**Message** Understanding

**\*Hymn** Oh For A thousand Tongues to Sing **VU 326**

### Offertory

**\*Dedication Verse** VU 179 vs 4

*Hallelujah, hallelujah.*

*Give thanks to the risen Christ;*

*hallelujah, hallelujah!*

*Give praise to God's name.*

*Come let us praise the living God,*

*joyfully sing to our Saviour.*

## Offertory Prayer

God our Maker, you have filled the world with so much abundance. We offer our gifts to you, knowing they are part of your abundance. Bless them and use them to bring hope and new life in Christ's name to a world that so badly needs these gifts. **Amen**

**\*Hymn** Lord Listen to Your Children Praying **VU 400**

## Our Prayers of Thanks and Concern

In the name of Christ our Risen Lord,  
**Hear our prayer.**

**\*Hymn** Be Thou My Vision **VU 642**

## Commissioning and Blessing

## Extinguishing of the Christ Candle

**\*Musical Benediction** **VU 166**

*Joy comes with the dawn; joy comes with the morning sun;  
joy springs from the tomb and scatters the night with her  
song, joy comes with the dawn.*