

HASTINGS ROSENEATH PASTORAL CHARGE
The United Church of Canada
“Easter Sunday” April 21st, 2019

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^**MUSICAL PRELUDE:** *(Leader & Choir Enter)*  
*(^ means, please stand, (Bold Print - Congregation Response)*  
**LIFE & WORK OF THE CHURCHES**

^**CALL TO WORSHIP:** *Rev. Jamie York*

^**HYMN:** VU#155 Jesus Christ is Risen Today

- 1 Jesus Christ is risen today, hallelujah!  
our triumphant holy day, hallelujah!  
who did once, upon the cross, hallelujah!  
suffer to redeem our loss. Hallelujah!
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing hallelujah!  
unto Christ, our heavenly King, hallelujah!  
who endured the cross and grave, hallelujah!  
sinners to redeem and save. Hallelujah!
- 3 But the pains which he endured, hallelujah!  
our salvation have procured; hallelujah!  
now above the sky he's King, hallelujah!  
where the angels ever sing. Hallelujah!
- 4 Sing we to our God above, hallelujah!  
praise eternal as God's love; hallelujah!  
praise our God, ye heavenly host, hallelujah!  
praise the Son and Holy Ghost. Hallelujah!

**OPENING PRAYER:** *(In Unison)*  
*Lord of new life and new beginnings! Lord of healing and hope!*  
*We gather to rejoice. We gather to sing praise.*  
*We gather to worship your Holy Name.*  
*All of nature proclaims you, Risen Lord.*  
*Our flowers bloom Easter joy. Even our stones will shout out.*  
*Hear us Lord, as we raise our hallelujahs this day. Amen*

**LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**CHOIR ANTHEM:** “Resurrection Chorus” *(Roseneath)*

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Acts 10:34-43 (R)

Reader: May God bless this reading for God's people today.  
*People: Thanks be to God! Amen.*

**FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL:** “The Gospel, The Whole  
Gospel and Nothing but the Gospel”

^**HYMN:** VU#179 Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks

**GOSPEL READING:** Luke 24:1-12 (M)

Leader: In this reading is Good News for God's people.  
*People: May the Spirit of the Living God be with us today! Amen.*

**SERMON:** “Hope... today... and tomorrow”

^**HYMN:** VU#166 Joy Comes with the Dawn

**MINUTE FOR MISSION:** “Caring for Families”

^**OFFERING AND DEDICATION:** *(In Unison)* VU#603

*In loving partnership, we come  
seeking O God your will to do  
Our prayers and actions now receive  
we freely offer them to you.*

^**PRAYER of DEDICATION:** *(In Unison)*

*Risen God, we believe everything shall be made new again.  
We believe that your kingdom will come.  
We believe that you are not waiting  
but that your great work has begun.  
Let our offerings, our generosity, and our commitment  
be a part of the remaking of our world in your image.  
Amen.*

**PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER**

**^HYMN: VU#352 I Danced in the Morning**

**^COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION: Rev. Jamie York**

**^CHORAL BLESSING: (*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 God 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.*

*A-a-men, A-a-men, A-a-a-men (Don Besig & Nancy Price)*