

HASTINGS ROSENEATH PASTORAL CHARGE
The United Church of Canada
Conference Annual Meeting Sunday—April 29th, 2018
THEME “This much we know”

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“GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME”

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

^**CHORAL INTROIT:** MV#7 Gather Us In  
*Gather us in, ground us in you.*  
*Gather us in, ground us in you.*  
*Gather us in, gather us in,*  
*Ground us, ground us in you.*

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

^**HYMN:** VU#187 The Spring Has Come

**OPENING PRAYER:** *(In Unison)*  
*On this glorious morn, O God, We praise your name and thank you for your faithfulness. We marvel once again at the wonder of the resurrection of Jesus. We pray that this resurrection wipe away tears from our eyes; Bring hope to the hopeless, open the eyes of the blind, set the prisoners free and bring healing and wholeness to those who need it. Lord we ask that this resurrection bring a revolution of justice; in our lives; in our community; in our church. May the hungry be fed, the outcast be welcomed, the downtrodden lifted up, and those who are in poverty be enriched. Lord we also pray that this Easter life of ours bring renewal, to deepen our relationship with you; deepen our relationship with one another, and empower us to bring the good news of your resurrection to others. Amen.*

**CHOIR ANTHEM:** (R)

**READING:** “Great Divide” a poem by Bruce Prewer (R)  
Reader: May God bless this reading for God’s people today.  
**People: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL:** “Be lifted up”

^**HYMN:** VU#175 This is the day, that God has made

**GOSPEL READING:** Mark 16:1-8 (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:** “This much we know... Go to Galilee”

^**HYMN:** VU#405 New every morning

**MINUTE FOR MISSION:** “Supporting people  
entering ministry”

^**OFFERING AND DEDICATION:** *(In Unison)* MV#191  
*What can I do?... What can I bring? ...What can I say?*  
*What can I sing? I’ll sing with joy... I’ll say a prayer.*  
*I’ll bring my love... I’ll do my share. (Repeat)*

^**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.*

**PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER** (sung VU#959)

**^HYMN:** VU#703 In the bulb there is a flower

**^COMMISSIONING:** (responsive)

Go into the world with the delight of faith.

***We go forth to dance and to sing the resurrection story.***

Go into the world with spirit's filled by the Spirit's joy.

***We go forth to celebrate new life given and proclaimed***

**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)***

