

HASTINGS ROSENEATH PASTORAL CHARGE  
The United Church of Canada



4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter--May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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^MUSICAL PRELUDE: *(Leader & Choir Enter)*

*(^)* means, please stand as you are able,  
*(Bold Print - Congregation Response)*  
**LIFE & WORK OF THE CHURCHES**

^CHORAL INTROIT: VU#175 Refrain

*This is the day that God has made!  
Rejoice! Rejoice! And be exceeding glad!  
This is the day that God has made!  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Hal-le-lu-jah! (twice over)*

^CALL TO WORSHIP: Rev. Jamie York

^HYMN: VU#395 Come in, come in and sit down

OPENING PRAYER: *(In Unison)*

*Mother-God... Father God,  
Saviour Jesus... Brother Jesus,  
Sister Spirit... Holy Spirit:  
We gather this morning in the brilliance of this new day.  
We gather to sing, to pray, to hear, to see.  
We gather to visit, to plan, to be inspired and celebrate.  
We gather to sense your spirit in Holy Sacrament.  
Come in, come in and, sit with us, join us, be part of us as family.  
For "We are a part of the family." Amen.*

CHOIR ANTHEM: "The Woman and the Coin" (Roseneath)

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 23 (R)

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

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SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Baptism Hymn: VU#444 Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

Presentation of Candidate for Baptism

Statement of Purpose

Baptismal Vows

Blessing and Pouring of Baptismal Water

The Act of Baptism

Baptismal Benediction: VU#454 May God Who Creates You

*May God who creates you give you light;  
may God who sustains you make you wise;  
may God who protects you give you joy;  
may God who surrounds you give you peace.*

Presentation of Symbols and Certificate of Baptism

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 3:11-17 (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: "Eternal Claims on you"

^HYMN: VU#345 Come children, join to sing

MINUTE FOR MISSION: "Community Bridge"

^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)*

*We are gathered as your family of faith God—  
diverse, delightful, devoted.  
Bless the gifts of time, talent, and treasure we offer this  
morning, that they may reflect the wonderful diversity  
of your family worldwide, that our beating hearts may  
connect with our human family everywhere. Amen.*

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

**^HYMN:** MV#1 Let us build a house

(1) Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.

Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of Christ shall end divisions;

**Refrain:** *All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.*

(2) Let us a build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus **Refrain**

(3) Let us a build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat; a banquet hall on holy ground, where peace and justice meet.

Here the love of God through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;

as we share in Christ the feast that frees us; **Refrain**

(vs4) Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the stranger bear the image of God's face: let us bring an end to fear and danger; **Refrain**

(vs5) Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this house proclaim from floor to rafter; **Refrain**

**^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)*