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Second Sunday of Easter

Confirmation Sunday

April 23, 2017



Our Vision

To live as Christ would have us live, in love,
with compassion and seeking justice, by sharing God's grace,
learning from scripture, growing through the Spirit
and being transformed by faith.

ORDER OF SERVICE

*Congregation please stand, as you are able,
and join congregational responses in **bold print**.
(Listening aids and large print bulletins are available in the narthex.)

We Gather Together

GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING - read by Julia Mainprize

LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Candle lighters: Joffin, Hope and Faith Bjornson

Prelude: Jesus stand among us *arr. N. Warren*

*OPENING HYMN: **VU170**

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing *O FILII ET FILLIAE*

(sing additional verses for 2nd Sunday of Easter)

We Offer Ourselves to God

PRAYER - read by Olivia Demeduk & Emily Parks

WORDS OF GRACE - read by Izzy Dyck

Service of Confirmation

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

PROFESSION OF FAITH AND COMMITMENT

CONGREGATIONAL COMMITMENT

Response: **We will, God being our helper.**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – A NEW CREED (VU918)

LAYING ON OF HANDS

PRAYER FOR THE CANDIDATES (UNISON)

**O God, you have called us each by name,
and pledge to each of us your faithful love.**

**We pray today for your blessing
on those who have been confirmed.**

Watch over them, guide as they continue to grow in faith.

**Remind us of the promises of our own baptism
and renew our trust in you.**

**Strengthen us to do your will, and to serve you,
with joy, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

PRESENTATIONS

Christian Education –Tara McCallum

Sunday School – Jan Demeduk

Chair of Worship – Ruth McKenzie

Ministers – Rev. Karen Lumley & Rev. Cathy Kinsman

BLESSING

*HYMN: MV161

I Have Called You By Your Name

KELLY

Children may go for Sunday School during the singing
of the last verse of the hymn.

We Hear God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING

read by Sonja Lundstrom

John 20:19-31

Response: Glory to God. **Amen!**

ANTHEM: "O Risen Lord"

Text: Jason Mason Neale

Music: K. Lee Scott

O risen Lord, O glorious son,
now is the mighty battle won.
Songs of praising we are raising:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

On the third morn he arose,
shining in vict'ry o'er his foes;
earth is singing, heaven is ringing:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

After the death that him befell,
Christ our Lord has harrowed hell.
Sing Alleluia! With gladness, gone is sadness,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The lord of all things lives anew,
and all his saints are rising too.
May our living be thanksgiving:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

MESSAGE

*HYMN: VU**396**

Jesus, Stand among Us

BEMERTON

We Offer Our Gifts to God

OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY

O sons and daughters let us sing

arr. C. Tambling

*DOXOLOGY: VU**540**

Grant Us, God, the Grace

STUTT GART

Grant us, God the grace of giving,
with a spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living we may offer faithfully.

We Go Forth in Faith

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

A PARAPHRASE OF THE PRAYER OF JESUS (VU**916**)

*CLOSING HYMN: VU**120**

Jesus, I Have Promised

FAITH

*BLESSING

*BENEDICTION: MV**172** (vs 4)

GOD SAYS

God Says

God says, "Reach out!
The world's in need and wants a word, a song, a deed.
I send you forth to speak, to sing,
to act for Christ in everything."

POSTLUDE

Allegro from Voluntary in G

J. Stanley

Welcome to the church our confirmands:

Olivia Demeduk

Izzy Dyck

Julia Mainprize

Emily Parks

Welcome to Worship



We extend a special welcome to all our guests and newcomers. Please sign our guest register and introduce yourself to an usher so that we may help you feel at home. Would you like someone to phone you about St. Andrew's River Heights United Church? Please leave your phone number in the register and a representative of the Fellowship and Pastoral Care Committee will be happy to contact you. You are welcome to take this bulletin home with you. If not, please place your bulletin in the paper-recycling bin.

The Anthem This Week

Nineteenth hymn writer and translator, John Mason Neale, is best known for his Christmas hymn texts, "Good Christian men, rejoice" and "Good King Wenceslas", as well as the translation of the Advent hymn "O come, o come, Emmanuel". This Easter hymn has a rather simple rhyming scheme which doesn't inspire a great deal, but American K. Lee Scott has given it a bright lilting touch.



Special thanks this week to go...

Past & present bulletin folders – Vinny Ashton, Judy Bourcier, Bruce & Ardelia Burrow, Kay Jolly, Ruth McKenzie, and Bill & Marilyn Muir.

Tyler Craddock who attends to the sound system for most all of the worship services

Robert Maxwell who ushers on the west- side aisle almost every Sunday



Many in our times have seen death. Christians cannot be silenced because, in addition, they have seen an empty tomb, heard Jesus speak, and even caught glimpses of his mystery and presence.

Worship in the Coming Weeks:

April 30/17 – Youth Service

May 7/17 – Church Picnic – Lug-a-lawn chair or blanket!

May 14/17 – Baptism Sunday

Bible Study

Every Friday morning from
9:15-10:45am in the Lounge with a
group of about 12!



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