

Tsawwassen United Church

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 22, 2007, 10:00 AM

Easter is a fifty-day celebration of the resurrection of Jesus.

The congregation is asked to participate when the words are in bold print and to stand when willing and able at those places marked “*”.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE: He Started the Whole World Singing ~ *Wm. J. and Gloria Gaither*

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN: This is the Day VU 412

TIME OF GREETING, ANNOUNCEMENTS, SILENCE

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (*Marleen & Rick Soutar*)

CALL TO WORSHIP (*based on John 21:1–19*)

Along the shores of our lives

Jesus comes to us.

At the edge of our worries and concerns,

Jesus comes to us.

In the waves of our sadness or despair,

Jesus comes to us.

When our hearts dare to love and hope,

Jesus comes to us.

Come, let us worship God

who sends Jesus to be with us.

PRAYER:

**O God, we thank you for the presence of the risen Christ
who appears in the most unexpected places.**

**Help us to grow in faith and courage
that we may hear your voice and recognize your call
to feed your sheep.**

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION — The Musical “Son Rise” (*see yellow insert*)

FOLLOWING THE PRESENTATION THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH GO
TO THEIR CLASSES.

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

READING: Easter Hope

In Jesus' resurrection,
God overcomes death.

**Nothing separates us from the love of God.
The Risen Christ lives today,
present to us and the source of our hope.**

In response to who Jesus was
and to all he did and taught,
to his life, death and resurrection,
and to his continuing presence with us through the Spirit,
we celebrate him as
**the Word made flesh,
the One in whom God and humanity are perfectly joined,
the transformation of our lives,
the Christ.**

We sing of a church
seeking to continue the story of Jesus
by embodying Christ's presence in the world.

**We are called together by Christ
as a community of broken but hopeful believers,
loving what he loved,
living what he taught,
striving to be faithful servants of God
in our time and place.**

This we believe.

**In the name of Christ,
Amen.**

(From A Song of Faith – A Statement of Faith of The United Church of Canada)

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

OFFERING/OFFERTORY:

Worthy is the Lamb

~ Robert Clatterbuck; arr. by Jack Schrader

*SUNG RESPONSE: Christ is Risen, Yes, Indeed

VU 169, vs. 4

**Your name we bless, O risen Lord,
and sing today with one accord
the life laid down, the life restored:
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

**You, O God, are the Easter One.
You are the holy source of resurrection.
We offer these gifts in gratitude for hope returned,
for the wonder and mystery of your grace,
and for the promise of resurrection.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

PRAYERS / THE PRAYER OF JESUS

*RECESSIONAL HYMN: Christ Is Alive

VU 158

*GOING FORTH:

Let us go forth to live our resurrection faith.
In the name of God who creates us,
in the name of Christ who sets us free,
in the name of the Spirit who makes us one.
Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE: Because He Lives

~ *William J. Gaither*

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Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Monday to Friday

Reaching in, we strive to grow in Christ.

Reaching out, we nurture God's world.

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EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 22, 2007

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT T.U.C.

TODAY Kinsmen Service – at 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service (with Sunday School and Morning Youth Group) – at 10:00 a.m. The Junior Choir will be presenting the musical “Son Rise”.

Delta Hospital Extended Care Service – at 2:30 p.m. The Junior Choir will repeat their presentation of “Son Rise”.

MON. Joint Search Committee Meeting – meet in the Lounge at 7:00 p.m.

TUE. Junior Youth Group (grades 5 to 7) – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Worship Committee Meeting – meet in the Lounge at 7:00 p.m.

WED. Junior Choir (ages 7–16) .. 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

THUR. Library Committee Meeting – meet in the Lounge at 9:30 a.m.

Bell Choir 6:15 p.m.

Senior Choir 7:45 p.m.

FRI. Senior Youth Group (grades 8 and up) – 6:45 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

SUN. Worship Service (with Sunday School and Morning Youth Group) – at 10:00 a.m.

“Lift Every Voice” Ecumenical Service – “The Lift Every Voice” Ecumenical Service is at **7:30 p.m.** on **Sunday, April 29th**, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. “Lift Every Voice” is a concert of praise and thanksgiving, which features different musical groups and choirs from the Christian community in South Delta. The music is interspersed with hymn singing and prayer. An offering will be received at the service in support of The Community Fund of Faith. This fund is used, under the direction of a group of Christians appointed from different churches, through the Ministerial to offer one time help to persons in the South Delta Community who find themselves in difficulty and cannot access help through any other means. Please plan to attend.

DIVISIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES FOR APRIL 2007

- Coffee: Outreach
- Ushers: Pastoral Care
- Communion: Membership
- Council Devotions: Congregational Enrichment
- Head Usher:.....

UPCOMING EVENTS

► **MEN’S CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT**

The Men’s Club plans to host a Golf Tournament **Saturday, May 12, 2007**, open to everyone. It will take place at the Cove Links Golf Course in Ladner, followed by a lunch BBQ and prizes at the church. Please mark you calendar. The cost of \$35 per person includes golf, lunch and prizes. Entries close Wednesday, April 25th for this event. Please contact Bob Tarlton at 604-943-5688 or Rick Soutar at 604-943-7524 to register.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

► **NEWSLETTER**

The next issue of “The Voice” will be distributed on Sunday, May 20th. We encourage all contributors to submit typed submissions via e-mail to thevoice@tsawwassenunited.org. The deadline for typed submissions is 9:00 a.m. on Friday, May 11th. Hand-written submissions should be submitted no later than Tuesday, May 8th.

► **THANK YOU!**

Today we say a sincere thank you to members of the Ministry and Personnel Division, Judy Glover, Albert Knudsen, Lynne Meinert and Robert Gillespie, who serve our congregation in matters pertaining to our staff. We also want to thank Bud Pritchard and Floyd Wartnow for their years of service on our behalf.

► **JOINT SEARCH COMMITTEE**

The Joint Search Committee is moving forward on your behalf and has begun the interview stage. Please remember us in your prayers as we seek to discern God's direction in choosing the person we will bring forward for your consideration.

~ John Glover for the Joint Search Committee

Joint Search Committee Members:

John Glover Marilyn Merry
Melanie Williams Rick Soutar
Georgie Swayze Glen Stanger
Marianne Robertson

Rev. Wendy Bily, Presbytery Rep.

Joan Rogers, Presbytery Rep. (Ladner United)

► **MEET THE MODERATOR!**

You are invited to the BC Conference office (4383 Rumble Street at Sussex, Burnaby) on Tuesday, May 1 from 2:00 to 4:30pm. This informal and open gathering is an excellent opportunity to listen to and chat with The Rt. Rev. David Guiliano. This event is part of the Moderator's week-long official visit to BC Conference. Snacks and beverages provided. No RSVP. Please come! For more information, contact organizer Rev. Michelle Slater at revmichelle@telus.net or 604-731-6420 or see details of the Moderator's BC visit at www.bc.united-church.ca.

SIGN-UP SHEETS

The sign-up sheets for counting, scripture reading, greeting, and candle lighting are posted on the bulletin board around the corner (to the left) of the nametags board in the narthex for referral and further signing-up.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please note that the deadline for submissions for the weekly announcements is **Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.** They can be e-mailed to malmond@tsawwassunited.org.



We recycle our bulletins. If you are not taking your bulletin home, please leave it in the basket on the narthex table.