



### Our Vision Statement

***“Deepening and demonstrating our faith in Jesus Christ by partnering in and with the community of Central Saanich and beyond.”***

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United Church of Canada**

**Easter Sunday**

**April 9, 2023**

**Scripture Reader:** Barbara Hansen

**Greeters:** Barbara Hansen & Steve Howell

**WE GATHER**

**Prelude**

**Call To Worship:**

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

*(the Christ Candle is lit)*

We have gathered to celebrate the Good News!

**The stone has been rolled away!**

The tomb is empty!

**Hallelujah! Christ is risen!**

He is risen indeed!

**Hallelujah!**

Thanks and praise be to God!

**Amen.**

**Hymn:**

**Jesus Christ is Risen Today**

**VU 155**

**Opening Prayer:**

O God of new life, on this Easter morning we come celebrating the good news that Jesus is risen.

**Together we join our voices in praise.**

With rejoicing we lift up our hearts.

**In gratitude we offer our thanks.**

United we worship you.

**We are your people and because of you,**

**Hallelujah is our song. Amen.**

Welcome, Celebrations, and Announcements:

Passing of the Peace

Children's Time

Ringling the Tone Bell (invitation to a moment of quiet)

## **WE LISTEN TO THE WORD**

Special Music : I Know That My Redeemer Lives!

From our Scriptures: John 20:1-18

From the World Around Us: "A Poem for Easter"

*(by R. Preston Price – adapted)*

Sermon: "Living Beyond the Borders of Imagination"

## **WE RESPOND TO THE WORD**

Hymn: **Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing** **VU 169**

Offering

Invitation

**"What Can I Do?"**

**MV 191**

Dedication of the Gifts

We pray...

Hymn: **"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"**

**VU 400**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

**VU 959**

## WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn: **Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ**

VU 468

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving  
Sharing the Bread and Cup  
Prayer after Communion

Hymn: **Hey Now! Singing Hallelujah!**

MV 121 (v. 1,2,3,5)

Commissioning and Benediction:

Take this Easter joy into your hearts,

**Christ is risen!**

Go forth now in hope,

**for evil, suffering, and death do not have the last word.**

Go forth now in joy,

**that new life awaits us.**

Go forth with the blessing of God's love and share that love every day.

**Christ is risen! Hallelujah!**

He is risen indeed!

**All praise and glory to God!**

**Amen.**

(by Gill Le Fevre in Gathering, 2023, p. 51 - adapted)

Going Forth: **Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks**

VU 179

*(refrain, v. 2, refrain)*

Postlude

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