Kincardine United Church Easter Sunday April 20th, 2025 11:00 a.m.

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Performed by KUCIE

Death & Resurrection, by Thomas Mack arr Don Eyre Tallis' Canon, Silesian Folksong, arr by Don Eyre Easter Day With Joy Was Bright, arr by James 'Red' McLeod

PRELUDE III Rigaudon, by Andre Campra, arr by S. Drummond Wolff, performed by K.U.C.I.E.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACKNOWLEGEMENT OF THE LAND

Jesus calls us into the world to love one another as we are loved by God. As we came to this land,

First Nations peoples welcomed us, sustained us and taught us.

We did not hear them when they shared their vision.

In our zeal to tell them the good news of Jesus Christ,

we were closed to the value of their spirituality.

We confused Western ways and culture

with the depth, breadth, length and height of the gospel of Christ.

We imposed our civilization as a condition of accepting the gospel.

As a result, the image of the Creator in us is twisted, blurred,

and we are not what we are meant by God to be.

In our journey toward reconciliation, we acknowledge, this day,

that we gather for worship on the traditional territories of the Saugeen Ojibway, as well as the other indigenous peoples who preceded them – the original nations of this land – and we acknowledge, with respect, their history, their spirituality, and their culture

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT I Rondeau by Jean Joseph Mouret, arr by S. Drummond Wolff & Don Eyre, performed by K.U.C.I.E.

EASTER GREETINGS AND LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the presence of the Holy Spirit, the light of the world, be with you all on this Easter Morn.

And also with you.

You are invited to share the peace of Christ by saying "Happy Easter, May the Peace of Christ be with you.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

There was quietness over the earth before creation; There is quietness in the womb before birth On Good Friday we stood at the foot of the cross There is quietness in the wind as Jesus is hung on the cross On Good Friday we gathered at the foot of that cross We wept and all could hear We watched as Jesus was crucified We heard the anguish of the two Marys We gathered in the garden with the two Marys It was silent all around us We come to the garden this morning And we listen to the world around us. The seed grows in quietness and darkness before it meets the light In the light there is hope.

PRAYER OF APPROACH

*HYMN VU#409 MORNING HAS BROKEN

SHARING TIME

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

*HYMN VU#173 THINE IS THE GLORY

SCRIPTURE Psalm 118 1, 14 - 24 John 20 1-18

Psalm 118

A Song of Victory

¹ O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

Psalm 118:14-24

New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my might;

he has become my salvation.

¹⁵ There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;

- ¹⁶ the right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly."
- ¹⁷ I shall not die, but I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord.
- ¹⁸ The Lord has punished me severely,

but he did not give me over to death.

- ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.
- ²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.
- ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- ²³ This is the Lord's doing;

it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

John 20 1-18

The Resurrection of Jesus

20 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes.

Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, ¹² and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet.

¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

DOXOLOGY MV 104 (sung 2X) "Know That God Is Good"

Know that God is good, know that God is good, know that God is good, God is good, God is good.

REFLECTION SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF EASTER

*HYMN VU#157 CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

PRAYERS OF EASTER PEOPLE

ANTHEM He is Up and Gone Kay Hall and Stan Pethel

OFFERING INVITATION AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN VU#352 I DANCED IN THE MORNING

GOD SENDS US FORTH AS EASTER PEOPLE

***COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION**

SONG OF COMMITMENT VU #964 (sung 2X) "Go Now in Peace" Go now in peace, go now in peace. May the love of God surround you everywhere, everywhere you may go.

POSTLUDE Triumphant March by G.F. Handel, arr by S. Drummond Wolff & Don Eyre, performed by K.U.C.I.E.