WESLEY UNITED CHURCH

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Wesley United Church, located on Treaty 4 land, is an Affirming Ministry of Jesus Christ, nurturing spiritual exploration and growth. We advocate for justice and social action. We love and care for ourselves and our neighbours throughout the world.

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> Secretary: Al Goudie Treasurer: Jim Chernick

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER April 28, 2019 10:30 a.m.

Assisting in Worship

Reader: Tessa Whyte

Congregational responses are indicated by bold italics.

* You are invited to stand

WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

*WE SING MV #142

Oh, a Song Must Rise

GATHERING WORDS

We gather as seekers asking after the big questions in life

questioning, wondering, hoping.

What is the promise of peace?

We gather for respite from a broken world filled with violence and injustice

mourning, weeping, praying

What is the promise of peace?

We enter as skeptics, questioning, critiquing, doubting.

What is the promise of peace?

We enter with open hearts,

learning, praying, singing.

What is the promise of peace?

Let us quiet our minds
and still our hearts
so that in this place,
we might strengthen our lives
and find our spirits inspired.

Through the spirit of life divine, here among us today and always.

Amen.

WELCOME

OUR OPENING PRAYER AND PRAYER OF JESUS

...Unknowable Mystery,

We honour the presence of the holy in our midst.

May the "kin-dom" flourish among us.

May we have only what we need each day that all might have enough and more tomorrow.

May we be as generous in offering forgiveness as we have been humbled and grateful in being forgiven.

May we be strengthened through our trials; and may we face evil with courage, truth and love.

As we pray in Jesus' name, may we also walk in his way. Amen.

*WE SING VU #326 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

We light this candle as a community of Jesus the Christ

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TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

WE LISTEN

SUNG PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

MV #62

There Is Room for All

GOSPEL John 20:19-31

As we reflect on these words from our tradition, may we find wisdom for living.

HANDBELLS

Make Me An Instrument of Thy Peace by Kevin McChesney

SPECULATION

WE RESPOND

*WE SING MV #79

Spirit, Open My Heart

MINUTE FOR MISSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR PRAYERS

WE ARE CHALLENGED TO SHARE

OFFERTORY

HANDBELLS

Here I Am Lord

by D. Schutt

arr. Arnold Sherman

*OUR RESPONSE

(Tune: Canonbury, VU #416)

Our joyful praises we now sing as gifts and offerings we bring.
Transforming lives that bring to birth our holy dream of a new earth.

*WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*WE SING VU #691

Though Ancient Walls

- *WORDS OF MISSION
- *BENEDICTION
- **POSTLUDE**