



# Osler Mennonite Church

A Welcoming Community for Peace

Following Jesus on the Path of Reconciliation

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

April 4, 2021

Easter Sunday

Deep in the Feast: Called to Deep Living

## Prelude

Choir: "Alleluia"

## Proclamation

L: Christ is Risen!

All: *Christ is Risen Indeed!*

L: We have seen the Lord! A rich feast has been prepared for all peoples on the mountain of God. Like Mary, Jesus calls us each by name into abundant life.

## Hymn of Praise: VT #346 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

TELLING GOD'S STORY: Jesus' Resurrection

### 346 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

(El Señor resucitó)

EASTER HYMN 7.7.7.7 with alleluias

Descant, verse 4

4 Soar we now where Je - sus led, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4 Hoy al la - do, es - tá de Dios, Al - le - lu - ia!

C F C F C/G G7 C

1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day!  
2 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King,  
4 Soar we now where Je - sus led,  
1 El Se - ñor re - su - ci - tó,

fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head. Al - le - lu - ia!  
don - de, es - cu - cha nue - va voz; Al - le - lu - ia!

F Dm7 G C F C/G G7 C

All cre - a - tion join to say:  
fought the fight, the bat - tle won.  
where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!  
fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head.  
Muer - te, y tum - ba ya ven - ción;

Made like Christ, we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Por no - so - tros, Al - le - lu - ia!

G C G D7 G

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high:  
Death in vain for - bids him rise,  
Dy - ing once, he all doth save, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Made like Christ, with Christ we rise,  
Con su fuer - za y su vir - tud,

ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Con su a - mor nos sal - va - rá.

G C F C F C/G G7 C

Sing, O heav'n, and earth re - ply:  
Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.  
where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?  
ours the cross, the grave, the skies.  
Cau - ti - vó la es - cla - vi - tud.

2 Jesucristo se humilló, ¡aleluya!  
vencedor se levantó; ¡aleluya!  
cante hoy la cristiandad, ¡aleluya!  
su gloriosa majestad. ¡Aleluya!

3 Cristo que la cruz sufrió, ¡aleluya!  
y en desolación se vio, ¡aleluya!  
hoy en gloria celestial, ¡aleluya!  
reina vivo e inmortal. ¡Aleluya!

4 Hoy al todo está de Dios, ¡aleluya!

### **Call to Worship:**

One: And while it was still dark, Mary found the light!

**Many: The disciples came running, but they did not understand.**

One: Mary stood weeping and saw angels but did not recognize Jesus.

**Many: But when Jesus calls our name, then we recognize the way, the truth, and the life.**

One: And then there was feasting! And there is feasting to come. God will make for all peoples a feast of rich food and well-aged wines and will wipe away tears from all faces.

**Many: It will be said on that day, "This is our God for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice. There is peace by Jesus Christ."**

One: Hold firmly to the good news, which you received, in which you stand, through which you are being saved.

**All: Let's open the gates of righteousness to enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.**

### **Affirmation of Faith**

**Many: Deep calls to deep. We give thanks from the depths of our hearts!**

One: Once weeping, now proclaiming: "I have seen the Lord!"

**Many: Once famished, now feasting: "This is the God for whom we have waited!"**

One: Once divided, now convicted: "Jesus Christ is Lord of all!"

**Many: We shall not die but we shall live and keep telling the deeds of the Lord.**

One: Deep calls to deep. You call to us from the depth of your love, O God. You have come to us in Jesus Christ.

**Many: We answer your call to deep living!**

**Children's Gathering Song: VT #510 "Today Earth is Singing"**

Children's Time: Adeline Cox

### **Offering Prayer and Offertory**

#### **Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church**

- Hanley Mennonite closing service today
- Zoar Mennonite Church Waldheim's closing service April 11
- Patrick Preheim starting part-time ministry at Tiefengrund Mennonite Church today
- Zac Stefaniuk will join him for the summer starting May 1
- Zac graduating from CMU, Steph and Dayna graduating from U of S
- Vaccinations for the 60-year old's

**Old Testament Reading:** Isaiah 65 17-19

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth! The things of the past will not be remembered or come to mind! Be glad and rejoice forever and ever in what I create, because I now create Jerusalem to be a joy and its people to be a delight! I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of distress.

**Hymn: VT #333 "Low in the Grave He Lay"**

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TELLING GOD'S STORY: Jesus' Resurrection

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# Low in the Grave He Lay

CHRIST AROSE 11.10 with refrain

1 Low in the grave he lay, Je - sus, my Sav - ior! Wait - ing the com - ing day,  
 2 Vain - ly they watch his bed, Je - sus, my Sav - ior! Vain - ly they seal the dead,  
 3 Death can - not keep its prey, Je - sus, my Sav - ior! He tore the bars a - way,

Refrain: faster

Je - sus, my Lord! Up from the grave he a - rose, he a - rose, with a

might - y tri - umph o'er his foes! He a - rose! He a - rose a vic - tor from the

dark do - main, and he lives for - ev - er with his saints to reign! He a -

rose!  
 He a - rose! He a - rose!  
 He a - rose! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ a - rose!

Text: Robert Lowry (USA), 1874, *Brightest and Best*, 1875  
 Music: Robert Lowry, 1874, *Brightest and Best*, 1875

**Gospel Reading: Mark 16:1-8**

When the Sabbath was over, Mary of Magdala, Mary the mother of James and Salome bought perfumed oils so that they could anoint Jesus. Very early, just after sunrise on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked, they found that the huge stone had been rolled back. On entering the tomb, they saw a young person sitting at the right, dressed in a white robe. They were very frightened, but the youth reassured them: "Do not be amazed! You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, the One who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. Now go and tell the disciples and Peter, 'Jesus is going ahead of you to Galilee, where you will see him just as he told you.'" They made their way out and fled from the tomb bewildered and trembling; but they said nothing to anyone, because they were so afraid.

**Response to the Scripture:**

Leader: For the Word of God in Scripture,  
 For the Word of God among us,  
 For the Word of God within us,

People: **Thanks be to God!**

**Hymn: VT #341 "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia!"**

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 (Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia!)  
 MFURAHINI, HALELUYA 9.9.9.9 with refrain

F/C F C7 Dm Gm

1 M - fu - ra - hi - ni, ha - le - lu - ya, m - ko - mbo -  
 2 Ma - la - i - ka a - li - waam - bi - a Wa - na - wa -  
 3 A - me - ba - ti - lish - a She - ta - ni. A - me - wa -

1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia! Re - joice and  
 2 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear. You look for  
 3 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave. He has a -

zi a - me - fu - fu - ka. A - me - fu - fu - ka,  
 ke, "M - si - og - o - pe. Sa - sa ka - bu - ri -  
 le - te - a wo - ko - vu. Kwa hi - yo ni - nyi  
 praise him, al - le - lu - ia, for our re - deem - er  
 Je - sus who is not here. See for your - selves the  
 ris - en, mor - tals to save." Je - sus' re - deem - ing

ha - le - lu - ya, m - si - fu - ni sa - sa yu ha - i.  
 li twa - tu - pu. Kwa - ni Ye - su a - me - fu - fu - ka."  
 m - tan - ga - ze, Ni ha - ki - ka, Ye - su yu ha - i.  
 burst from the tomb, e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.  
 tomb is all bare. On - ly the grave - clothes are ly - ing there."  
 la - bors are done. E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won.

Refrain C C7 F C

Tu - mwi - mbi - e so - te kwa fu - ra - ha. Ye - su a -  
 Let us sing praise to him with end - less joy. Death's fear - ful

C7 F F/C F

me - to - ka ka - bu - ri - ni ka - shi - nda ki - fo,  
 sting he has come to de - stroy, our sins for - giv - ing,

C7 Dm Gm F C F

ha - le - lu - ya; Ha - le - lu - ya, Ye - su yu ha - i.  
 al - le - lu - ia. Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Swahili: Bernard Kijansanywa (Tanzania), © 1968 Makumira University College (admin. Augsburg Fortress); trans. Howard S. Olson (USA), © 1977 (admin. Augsburg Fortress)  
 Music: Haya traditional (Tanzania)

Choir: "This Joyful Eastertide"

Sermon: Looking for Jesus

Sending Hymn: VT #353 "Now the Green Blade Rises"

TELLING GOD'S STORY: Jesus' Resurrection

# 353 Now the Green Blade Rises

NOËL NOUVELET 11.11.10.11

1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,  
2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,  
3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,  
4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,

wheat that in the dark earth man - y days has lain;  
think - ing he would nev - er wake and live a - gain,  
Je - sus, who for three days in the grave had lain;  
Je - sus' touch can call us back to life a - gain;

love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;  
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;  
raised from the dead, the liv - ing Christ is seen;  
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:

love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

Chords: Eno3, A, Em, A, Em/B, B, Em, Em, B/F#, Em/G, B, B/D#, Em, F#, B, B7, Em, A, Em, A, Em/B, B, Eno3

Text: John Macleod Campbell Crum (England), © 1928 Oxford University Press  
Music: French traditional, 15th c.

**Benediction:** In the early light, urgent feet pound along the path toward the room: “He is alive!” they say. The tomb is empty, and the room is full of wonder. And the feasting, the deep nourishment, and knowledge of a risen Christ begins! May we receive this news, once again, with a call to deep living. Go into this day, forever changed. *Amen.*

### **TODAY’S WORSHIP TEAM**

Speaker: Patty Friesen      Worship Leader: Adeline Cox  
Song Leaders: Ben Buhler, Kathryn Janzen      Accompanist: Melanie Boldt  
Children’s Time: Adeline Cox      Sound: Doug McKinnell      Usher: Harold Loewen

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*Recurring After Church Coffee Zoom** – (right after the morning service) hosted by Wilf Those in the sanctuary are welcome to hang out in the gym at distanced tables and chairs for visiting. (Sorry about the mix up last week)

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89786948615>

Meeting ID: 897 8694 8615

One tap mobile

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+15873281099,,89786948615# Canada

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdL8s3Bx34>

**\*Mosaic Sunday School class:** Every Sunday at 11:00am via Zoom. The password is: Mosaic. This the link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87212174301> Meeting ID: 872 1217 4301

**\*Membership** – During the April 18 morning worship service, we will be receiving the memberships of Henry and Erna Funk by transfer from the Zoar Mennonite Church, Waldheim

**\*Follow Up-Zoom:** Mon. April 12, 7:00 p.m. Randy and Reconciliation: Sunday sermon follow-up on Rural Reconciliation and Mennonite Central Committee with Randy Klassen. Join Zoom Meeting. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9333069839>

### **\*From MC Sask**

**Camp Elim is inviting applications for the position of Executive Director**, starting May 2021. This is a full-time position, based at Camp Elim, 48 km south of Swift Current, SK on beautiful Lac Pelletier. For more information about the Executive Director role or about Camp Elim, go to [www.campelim.ca](http://www.campelim.ca). Please forward your cover letter and resume to Ryan Siemens at [minister@mcsask.ca](mailto:minister@mcsask.ca).

**Spring is coming, and Shekinah** is looking for "weekend at the cabin / lake" items. In particular, we are looking for BBQs in good working order, outdoor Adirondack style chairs (wood or composite / resin), and counter depth fridges. We also wouldn't say no to composting toilets. Have other ideas about what we might need? Contact Ron at [ron@shekinah.ca](mailto:ron@shekinah.ca).

**Coffee** – support the youth of MC Sask and order your Level Ground Coffee. Feature coffee of the month is Ethiopia Organic from the birthplace of coffee. 300g size available in bean or ground in dark roast for \$12. Order yours today at <https://mcsask.ca/coffee>

**\*The Congregation/Pastoral** review committee has prepared a questionnaire for Osler Mennonite Church Attendees, that will be going out via email within the next few days. We ask that you fill out the questionnaire and return it to Christy Martens-Funk, [martensfunk@gmail.com](mailto:martensfunk@gmail.com) before April 20 2021. The results will help council, our congregation, and our Pastors discern how we have changed, and or need to change. What is important to you is important to all of us!

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to our church program.

Sincerely,

Sandra Grismer  
Christy Martens-Funk  
Louise Buhler  
George Janzen  
Ben Buhler

### **OMC CALENDAR**

- Apr 1 6:00 pm Maundy Thursday Zoom Communion with Nora Pederberg
- Apr 2 7:00 pm Good Friday Service of Shadows (*Facebook only*)
- Apr 4 8:30 am Easter Sunrise Service church cemetery (bring masks-we will be singing)**
- Apr 4 10:00 am “Looking for Jesus” **Easter Sunday** Patty Friesen (*also on Facebook*)
- Apr 5 No Kid’s weekly Bible School Zoom this week
- Apr 8 No Youth weekly Group/Bible School Zoom this week
- Apr 11 10:00 am “Resurrection & Reconciliation” Randy Klassen MCC SK (*also on Facebook*)
- Apr 12 7:00 pm Zoom Sermon follow-up with MCC worker Randy Klassen
- Apr 12 Kid’s weekly Bible School Zoom 7:00 pm
- Apr 15 Youth weekly Group/Bible School Zoom 7:00 pm
- Apr 18 10:00 am “Touch and See” Patty Friesen (*also on Facebook*)

**Patty’s Holy Week:** Easter retreat, Sabbatical May 1-31 at Grasslands National Park

**Nora’s Week:** Working Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sun.

### **NEXT SUNDAY’S WORSHIP TEAM: April 11**

Speaker: Randy Klassen      Worship Leader: Julie Bergen

Song Leaders: Kathryn, Dayna, Loretta      Accompanist: Naomi Schellenberg

Children’s Time: Nora Pederberg      Sound: Matthew S & James T      Usher: Lloyd S

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