



Merging Waters Pastoral Charge  
Sunday Morning Worship

# Hosannas to Hallelujahs

Easter Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Rev. Ryan Fea presiding  
Michael Woytiuk Ministry of Music

## WELCOME/BIENVENUE

People of all ages, identities, and walks of life  
are welcome.

Wherever you are, whoever you are,  
we welcome you in love and  
community to worship.

Wherever we are, we're close in  
one another's hearts.

*Toutes et tous sont bienvenus, peu importe l'âge,  
l'identité ou les conditions de vie.*

*Peu importe où que vous soyez, qui  
que vous soyez, nous vous accueillons dans  
l'amour et la communauté pour  
louer Dieu ensemble.*

*Notre amour n'est jamais limité par la distance*

## LIFE AND WORK OF THE PEOPLE

A special message from Lisa Byer-de Wever and Steven Wells from St Columba House

**BOLD print** indicates an invitation for congregational response and participation

## ACKNOWLEDGING TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

**We acknowledge that the lands our churches and many of our homes sit on have been stewarded by the first peoples of Turtle Island, among them the Kanien'kehá:ka, "Mohawk" peoples, as well as nations of the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, the neighbouring Huron-Wendat, Anishinaabeg, and Abenaki peoples. We commit ourselves as a faith community to the multi-generational work of reconciliation, the pursuit of true justice and flourishing well-being for all peoples who now call Canada home.**

## THE LIGHT AT OUR CORE

*light a candle at home if it is safe to do so*

On this Easter Sunday,  
we shout and sing the glad news:  
**Jesus Christ is risen indeed!**  
**We light the Christ candle**  
**because he is here among us.**  
**Hallelujah!**

## SPIRITUAL FOCUS

Joy is in the air! Christ is risen!

**We will not find Jesus in the tomb. He is risen!**

Where shall we look? How will we recognize the risen Christ?

**Look to your neighbours and the strangers on the street.**

**There, we will find the risen Christ. Alleluia!**

On this glorious Easter morning we proclaim

**Christ is Risen. Alleluia!**



PRAYER OF APPROACH

**Loving God, as you approach us in our story and in our lives, teach us to embrace you with enthusiasm and courage. Help us learn to turn toward you by turning toward all creation with care, respect, and actions of justice and community. Amen.**

HYMN VOICES UNITED 703

In The Bulb There Is A Flower

**In the bulb there is a flower;  
in the seed, an apple tree;  
in cocoons, a hidden promise:  
butterflies will soon be free!  
In the cold and snow of winter  
there's a spring that waits to be,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.**

**There's a song in every silence,  
seeking word and melody;  
there's a dawn in every darkness,  
bringing hope to you and me.  
From the past will come the future;  
what it holds, a mystery,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.**

**In our end is our beginning;  
in our time, infinity;  
in our doubt there is believing;  
in our life, eternity.  
In our death, a resurrection;  
at the last, a victory,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.**



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. 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.”

**Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.**

He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

**But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; 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.**

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.” When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. 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.”**

Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to 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.’”

**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.**

APPLICATION FOR TODAY Hosannas to Hallelujahs: Resurrection Living

*With special message shared by Steven Wells*

OFFERING

*We offer our prayer, time, talent, reflections, and resources*

*If you are not on [pre-authorized remittance \(PAR\)](#) and want to continue to support Merging Waters please click these links, or those provided on the site to give to:*

*[Union Church](#) or [Beaurepaire United](#) through [CanadaHelps.org](#)*

MUSICAL OFFERING

Come, Rejoice in Love

music and words by Jacques Berier and Taize  
music and words arranged and adapted by Pierre Gallant



HYMN VOICES UNITED 155

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today *(verse 1&2)*

**Jesus Christ is risen today, hallelujah!  
our triumphant holy day, hallelujah!  
who did once, upon the cross, hallelujah!  
suffer to redeem our loss, hallelujah!**

**Hymns of praise then let us sing, hallelujah!  
unto Christ, our heavenly King, hallelujah!  
who endured the cross and grave, hallelujah!  
sinners to redeem and save, hallelujah!**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**God our Rock, your strong message of daring love challenges us to live  
courageous gratitude. With thankful hearts, we share our resources. With  
humble spirits, we offer ourselves. With gracious faith, we commit ourselves  
to the ministry of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

HYMN VOICES UNITED 155

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today *(verse 3&4)*

**But the pains which he endured, hallelujah!  
our salvation have procured, hallelujah!  
now above the sky he's King, hallelujah!  
where the angels ever sing, hallelujah!**

**Sing we to our God above, hallelujah!  
praise eternal as God's love, hallelujah!  
praise our God, ye heavenly host, hallelujah!  
praise the Son and Holy Ghost, hallelujah!**

PRAYERS OF CONCERN AND JOY

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father/Mother/Creator, in heaven,  
hallowed is name.  
Your kingdom come.  
Your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever.  
Amen.**



*Refrain:* **Hey now! Singing hallelujah!**  
**Hey now! The morning has come! Hey now! Singing hallelujah!**  
**The tomb was empty at the rising sun.**

**Jesus loved people and he made them friends.**  
**Hey now, the tomb was empty.**  
**He called to the children**  
**and the women and men.**  
**Hey now, the tomb was empty. R**

**Jesus healed people**  
**and he helped them be well.**  
**Hey now, the tomb was empty.**  
**He taught about God in the stories he'd tell.**  
**Hey now, the tomb was empty. R**

**Jesus loved people and they said he was a king.**  
**Hey now, the tomb was empty.**  
**He turned all the tables on everything.**  
**Hey now, the tomb was empty. R**

**Jesus had power and they took him away.**  
**Hey now, the tomb was empty.**  
**They nailed him to a cross**  
**and they killed him one day.**  
**Hey now, the tomb was empty. R**

**Jesus loves people and he lives again!**  
**Hey now, the tomb was empty.**  
**Calls us disciples and he calls us his friends.**  
**Hey now, the tomb was empty. R**

## COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

May our hearts be full of gratitude  
**As we return to give thanks**  
to the One who healed us and made us whole,  
**who sends us out to care for this world. Amen.**

## MUSICAL SENDING

Sing Hallelujah  
Music by Pierre Gallant

*~ Thank you for joining in Worship today ~*



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*Welcome Grace Service Love  
Community*

**UPCOMING SERVICES at 10:30 a.m.**

- Apr 17<sup>th</sup>.** Easter Sunday – Onsite at 24 Maple, Sainte-Anne and online  
When arriving please take a flower to place on the cross and a sticky-note  
for use during the service
- Apr 24<sup>th</sup>.** A service Shared by the Merging Waters Outreach Committee  
Onsite at 24 Maple, Sainte-Anne and online
- May 1<sup>st</sup>.** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter – Onsite at 25 Fieldfare, Beaconsfield and online
- May 4<sup>th</sup>.** Merging Waters Board Meeting on ZOOM 7 pm
- May 8<sup>th</sup>.** 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – Onsite at 25 Fieldfare, Beaconsfield and online
- May 15<sup>th</sup>.** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – Onsite at 24 Maple, Sainte-Anne and online
- May 22<sup>nd</sup>.** 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – Onsite at 25 Fieldfare, Beaconsfield and online
- May 29<sup>th</sup>.** 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – Onsite at 24 Maple, Sainte-Anne and online  
Merging Waters hosts a combined worship with United Churches of the  
West Island of Montreal and Riverside United Church  
This service will include the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism

Please consult the website and weekly announcements for details and links

[www.mergingwaters.ca/Worship-online](http://www.mergingwaters.ca/Worship-online)

Download the Zoom App at [zoom.us/download](https://zoom.us/download)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



## CHURCH CAFÉ

Will be on hiatus Friday April 22<sup>nd</sup>  
and will return in April 29<sup>th</sup>  
For a time to share in community

Keep an eye out for announcements of a new reflection series

Rev. Ryan will be on leave the week of April 18<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>, in the event of pastoral need please contact the Pastoral Care Coordinators **Ivy Lewis** Union Pastoral Care Chair: [lewisir@hotmail.com](mailto:lewisir@hotmail.com) & **Diane Nener** Beaufort Pastoral Care Coordinator: [dianenener@icloud.com](mailto:dianenener@icloud.com). If you need to speak with ministry personnel, please contact the church office [mergingwaters@bellnet.ca](mailto:mergingwaters@bellnet.ca) or by phone **(514) 457-5819** or **(514) 695-5448** and you will be placed in contact with someone as soon as possible.



Maison Saint Columba House - Many thanks to Director Lisa Byer-De Wever for speaking to us about the much-needed programs at St. Columba on March 27<sup>th</sup>. Their Community Lunch Program offers Point Saint Charles' residents and guests hot, nutritious and balanced lunches prepared fresh daily. For \$30 you can pay for a month of lunches for an individual. Donate today to help them alleviate food insecurity, build academic perseverance, reduce social isolation, deliver free educational programs

to at-risk children, youth, adults and seniors living within our community. They have been working hard for 104 years but cannot do it without your help. Donations can be made through the website: <https://saintcolumbahouse.org/> donate or by cheque to: St. Columba House, 2365 Grand Trunk, Montréal, Quebec, H3K 1M8



A great big



To **Nancy and Jim Gelsthorpe**

For all that you do, your work in maintaining the building, managing the sound system, supporting the work of the church throughout the pandemic, work on the Boards, UCW, Boutique, the Blues Café, supporting rentals, and countless actions of care and community.

You make a difference every day!

