

# **Ministry**

# All the People

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4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter Liturgical colour – White April 21, 2024

Note: Bold type everyone says together.
\*indicates to stand as you are able

**Prelude** 

Welcome

**Unison Land Acknowledgement** (on screen)

\*Hymn MV 42 "Praise God for This Holy Ground"

#### **GOD GATHERS US**

#### **Responsive Call to Worship**

We gather with joy, for Easter continues to bring us new life. The Risen Christ is with us wherever we go.

Love breaks all bonds and unites us in hope.

Christ has defeated death. Let us rejoice and be glad!

Come and worship with hearts full of praise.

O God, receive our grateful Hallelujahs and Amens!

### **Passing the Peace**

The peace of Jesus Christ be with you **And also with you.** 

# **Unison Opening Prayer**

God our Maker,

the gifts and blessings that you bestow on each of us are beyond our imagination as we come together to praise you.

Let the life, teaching and resurrection of

the Risen Christ lift and instruct our hearts this day,

that we may greet a new week

as an occasion to discover Him in our midst,

making all things new in the springtime of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

\*Hymn MV 157 "I am a child of God". verses 1, 2, 3 (youth come forward on verse 3)

**Youth Connection,** Changing the World – Peace

followed by the Prayer that Jesus taught us

**Hymn** MV 157 "I am a child of God" verses 4 and 5

### **GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD & SONG**

**Epistle Reading** 1 John 3: 1-7 read by Alf Langner

Music Ministry The Good Things in Your Life arr. Larry Norred Senior Choir

Gospel reading Luke 24: 36b-48 read by Alf Langner

Message Our Eyes are Opened

### **GOD CALLS US TO LOVE and TO SERVE**

## Offering Invitation

\*Offering Hymn VU 543 We Give Thee But Thine Own verse 1

\*Unison Prayer of Dedication

God our Maker, you have filled the world with so much abundance. We offer our gifts to you, knowing they are part of your abundance. Bless them and use them to bring hope and new life in Christ's name to a world that so badly needs these gifts. Amen

#### **Prayers that Unite Our Hearts**

The response to today's prayers:

In the name of Christ our Risen Saviour,

Hear our prayer.

#### Life and Work of Calvary

Minute for Mission Bonnie McNichol

\*Hymn VU 686 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

\*Unison Commissioning (unity prayer from unity.org)

\*Blessing

\*Choral Blessing VU 958 Halle, Halle, Halle

Postlude