**Westworth United Church**

1750 Grosvenor Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba

on Treaty One Territory in the heart of the Métis Nation

April 9, 2023

Easter Sunday

**We Gather to Worship**

**Welcome**

**Introit:** “O Risen Lord”*K. Lee Scott*

**Easter Greeting**

Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed!**

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**Candle Lighting**

“Christ is Arisen” *Charles Callahan*

**Treaty Acknowledgement**

We are Treaty People!

**We live and work,**

We worship and play,

**On Treaty 1 territory,**

The traditional lands of:

**The Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree and Dakota Nations**

And the homeland of the Red River Métis Nation.

**We receive water from Shoal Lake on Treaty 3 land**,

And hydro power from all 5 treaty lands in Manitoba.

**We are all Treaty People.**

**Children’s Story**

**Hymn:** VU 155 “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”EASTER HYMN

**Prayer of Confession**

From the tomb of fear and worry,

 **Save us, risen Christ.**

From the shackles of self-doubt and self-obsession,

 **Free us, risen Christ.**

From the binding of brokenness and heartache,

 **Heal us, risen Christ.**

We reach to your outstretched arms:

 **Lift us up, risen Christ.**

We offer our hands and feet as yours:

 **Live through us, risen Christ.**

**Silent Meditation**

**Words of Assurance**

**The Peace of Christ and Interlude:**

May the peace of Christ be with you.

 **And also with you.**

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today! Alleluia” *Marilyn Biery*

**We Hear the Word**

**Responsive Readings:** VU 837 Psalm 118, Parts 1 and 3

**Gospel Reading:**

Matthew 28:1-10

This is the Gospel of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sung Response:** VU 717 “Hallelujah” HALLELUJAH

**Anthem:** “When It Was Yet Dark” *Stephen Hatfield*

**Sermon: “**Living as the Risen Body of Christ**”**

**We Respond to the Word**

**Hymn:** VU 166“Joy Comes with the Dawn” DAWN

**Offertory Prayer**

**Anthem:** “Alleluia! Our Saviour Has Arisen” *arr. B. Wayne Bisbee*

**Prayer Introit:** VU 400 **“**Lord Listen to Your Children Praying**”**

CHILDREN PRAYING

**Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer**

**Hymn:** VU 346 “There in God’s Garden” SHADES MOUNTAIN

**Benediction**

**Sung Response:** VU 974 “Amen”

**Postlude:** “This Joyful Eastertide” *Dan Uhl*

Reader: Kathy Wilson

Production & Camera: Peter Sim & Walter Watts

Interim Director of Music: Ruth Wiwchar

Organist: Dorcas Windsor

Oboe: Ruth Denton

Trumpet: Richard Sellwood

Coordinator of Children, Youth & Families: Katie Anderson

Minister: Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd

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