



Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship

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Meditation for Easter

Gathering & Praising

Prelude

Opening Song: *Christ the Lord is risen today* blue, 280

Call to Worship

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Leader: Praise God and Christ Jesus:

People: God has given us new life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead.

Leader: God has claimed us and all our losses holding and loving us always.

People: God has brought us out of darkness and into the light of God's love.

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

All: Alleluia!

Opening Prayer

Songs: *Low in the grave he lay* blue, 273

This joyful Eastertide blue, 276

Hearing God's Word

Affirmation of Faith (adaptation of STS 181)

We believe in a bright and amazing God who has been to the depths of despair on our behalf; who has risen in splendor and majesty; who decorates the universe

with sparkling water, clear streams of light, twinkling stars and sharp colours, over and over and over again.

We believe that Jesus is the light of the world; that God believes in us, loves us, and trusts us, even though we make the same mistakes over and over and over again.

We commit ourselves to Jesus, to one another as brothers and sisters, and to living out the Gospel of Peace.

In so doing, we proclaim Christ's life, death, and resurrection.

We proclaim the coming of God's kingdom.

Hallelujah!

Song: *Will the children?*

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Children's Time

Jenny Miller

Offering

Scripture: John 20:11-18

Sermon: Meditation for Easter

Dan Schrock

Responding to God

Song: *All hail the power of Jesus' name*

blue, 285

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Dan Schrock

Song: *Christ is alive! Let Christians sing!*

blue, 278

Transition to Fellowship, Christian Education, and Mission

Welcome & Introduction of Visitors

(Please pass the friendship registers)

Announcements

Closing Song: *Lift your glad voices*

blue, 275

Benediction

Please join us for coffee and tea in the fellowship hall.

Worship Participants:

Worship Leader: Marilyn Rudy-Froese

Song Leader: Deb Brubaker

Accompanist: Paul Leichthy

Prelude and offertory: Greg Smucker and Lisa Showalter

Congregational sharing: Dan Schrock

Ushers: Bob and Lorraine Pflederer

AV Operator: Nicholas Schrock

Visuals: Merrill and Clare Krabill

Infants Care: Annie Hu, Vanessa and Dan Adcock

Toddler Care: Lavonne Bixler, Jacob and Abby Rudy-Froese

We offer childcare during worship for infants & toddlers. Children under 2 years of age may go to the Cherub Corner room, while 2 and 3 year olds may go to the MYF room.

Nurture Hour

There will be no nurture hour today.

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