# Sunset United Church

April 18, 2020-7 p.m.

Guest Worship Leader: Karen Cartmell

Music-Soloist: Mark Pitman

Reader: Delise Pitman

Sunset United, located on Treaty 4 Territory, is an Affirming community of faith. All are welcome here.

# **WE GATHER**

**Online Greetings** 

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship \*:

One: Loving God, the one who searches for us always,

All: Find us this evening, we pray.

One: Find our fears and hold us in the night.

All: Find our sorrows and comfort us in the light.

One: Find our anger and soothe us in your embrace.

All: Find our joy and dance with us in grace.

One: Oh God, we ask that you find our celebration and sing

us into harmony,

All: That we may worship you together. Amen.

Opening Hymn: VU 374 Come & Find the Quiet Centre

#### **Invocation Prayer**

One: In the comfort of our own homes, we can still gather virtually for worship

All: We come united by our faith and our courage to proclaim the Good News!

One: We come to celebrate with our friends and family, and with friends we haven't met yet – connecting on a spiritual level even if we can't connect on a physical level.

All: We know that Easter is a season of new life and celebration, so we give thanks for new hope that is born afresh within us.

One: In faith, let us proclaim that Christ is risen.

All: He is risen, indeed. Hallelujah!

Lighting of the Christ Candle



### **WE LISTEN**

Contemporary Poem

Scripture: Matthew 27:32-40, John 19:38-42, 20:1

Special Music: "Hallelujah" - Mark Pitman

Reflection: Where is Golgotha?

## WE RESPOND

Hymn: VU #144 Were You There

Offering Dedication

Joys & Concerns - online participation

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: VU#352 I Danced in the Morning (v1,3,4)

Blessing - online participation

#### Benediction:

One:As we go back out, into our daily lives Our worship together continues.

All: We take with us the words of scripture, prayers, and joyful music we have shared.

And continue to praise God for the blessings we discover.

One: We share stories of hope, and new life in the midst of despair.

All: We know that God gives us strength. God shows us the way forward.

One: So go on from here, your soul filled,

Remembering that God is with you, each and every day.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sung Response: VU 649 Walk with Me (Refrain only)

Coffee Time - 20 minutes online chat

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\* adapted from Gord Dunbar, "Gathering", Pentecost 2019, p37, used with permission