MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Minister: Rev. Dr. Mark Chiang 6th Sunday of Easter May 5, 2024

Duty Elder: Connie Madsen Service Leader: Denise Leisk Musician: Sheryl Cale, Rosemary Brown Scripture Reader: Rosemary Brown

\*When this symbol appears please stand if you are able

Musical Prelude – Time for Quiet Meditation

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: Video

CALL TO WORSHIP We come as worshippers Ready to worship Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit! We come as listeners Ready to hear the voice of the Spirit moving in this community! We come as participants Ready to tend to the new life that is springing up! We come as children of God Beloved, embraced and free!

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

**\*HYMN # 378:** Jesus in the morning

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Generous God, you have invited us to love as you have loved. As much as we try to imitate you, we fall short. The earth suffers because we have not treated it gently or with compassion. Our neighbours are hungry and lonely, and we cannot summon the courage or the energy to help. Despite our awe of you, we pretend that we have all the answers. Your peace eludes us, because human beings seem to prefer violence and war. Your whole earth groans in labour, waiting for you to do something new. Raise up newness within us – within ourselves and within our community, so that we might find fresh life, and a renewed Spirit. In Jesus's name we pray. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** 

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART: Video

**\*HYMN # 60:** God our sovereign Lord (hymn of the month)

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

RESPONSIVE READING: SCRIPTURE: Exodus 1: 15-21 (pg 49) Romans 8: 18-27(pg 158)

**ANTHEM:** Flying free

**MEDITATION:** Video

SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

HYMN # 706: Come let us sing

WE GIVE TO GOD'S WORK

PRAISE RESPONSE #830: Praise God from whom all blessings flow

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION** 

\*PRAYER FOR OURSELVES & OTHERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*CLOSING HYMN # 371: Love divine

\*Commissioning and BENEDICTION: Video

\*SUNG BENEDICTION: Go now in Peace Rev. Fiona will be presiding next week. Gift Cards for greenhouses available at office: \$20 each (fundraiser) Strawberry Tea on May 9 from 2-4 PM. New to You sale from June 27–30. Do you have items to donate? One License: Registration #A-607931(for music & podcast/streaming)

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