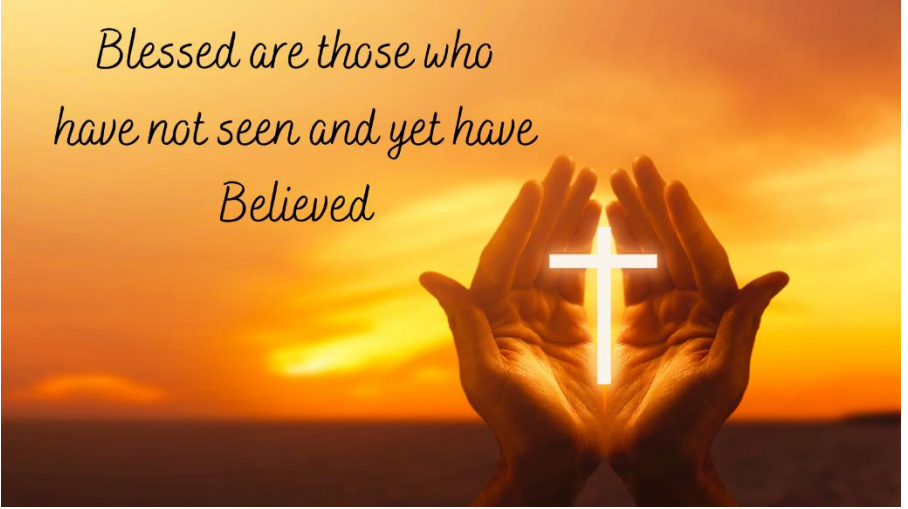


*Blessed are those who  
have not seen and yet have  
Believed*



## NEWCASTLE UNITED CHURCH

April 7, 2024

10:30 am

Second Sunday of Easter

Welcome!

*“As followers of Christ, we are called to be a  
worshipping and learning, receiving and giving  
community of faith, hope and love.”* Newcastle  
United Church Mission Statement

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*As we gather as a faith community, we acknowledge that we are on sacred land rich in the legacy, culture, and spirituality of the Indigenous people. It is home to many First Nations, Inuit, and Métis people. We acknowledge that we live and work on land that is under the Williams Treaty, which has been the traditional territory of the Anishinaabeg, Huron-Wendat and Haudenosaunee Nations, as well as many other Indigenous nations. These lands today are under the care of the Mississauga's of the New Credit First Nations people.*

*We acknowledge this land, out of respect for the many Indigenous nations who have cared for the lands and waterways from the beginning of time and continue to do so. Today we are grateful for the opportunity to live, work, and to worship on their traditional lands.*

*We are committed to learn and understand the truth of our shared history, confronting our past and present so that we can strive to build a future together upon true reconciliation, living out what the original ancestors of Turtle Island envisioned: sharing the resources of the land and waterways, and to live in harmony with one another as one people.*

## **Approaching God With Praise**

**Welcome**

**Land Acknowledgement**

**Announcements**

**\* Indicates for congregation to stand as you are able.**

**Prelude (A centering time) "I Believe"**

**Words & music: E. Drake, I. Graham, J. Shirl & A. Stillman**

**Lighting the Christ Candle**

**L:** Christ has risen! His love and peace give light to our paths and hope to our days! Christ's resurrection pushes back the darkness, letting the Light of Life rekindle our lives. Renewed in spirit, let the joy we find be heard through our proclamation:

**A: Hosanna in the Highest. Let the glory of Christ shine throughout all of God's creation.**

***Call To Worship***

**L:** We come joyfully proclaiming;

**A: Jesus is risen!**

L: We believe in the miracle of resurrection that happens in life, in death, and in life beyond death.

**A: Our hearts are filled with the good news of God's eternal faithfulness toward all of creation.**

L: Hallelujah!

**A: Hallelujah!**

**\*Opening Prayer (Unison)**

**Our senses are stirred as Spring thaws our frozen hearts seized by denial and shame to witness resurrection in our midst. With hearts warmed with the Son of Life, we become witnesses of new life. We gather in Jesus' name to sing praises and glorify Him with joyful song of thankfulness and devotion. Let our expressions of joy be heard throughout all of creation. Amen.**

**\*Hymn: VU 173 "Thine Is The Glory" vv. 1-3**

***Listening For The Spirit Of God  
Through The Word***

**Scripture Readings:**

**New Testament**

**Gospel of John 20: 19-33**

# *Announcements*

April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Welcome! We enjoy open seating so please, sit where you feel comfortable, and meet a new friend.**

Our greeters this morning are Sue Bell and Gail Empey

Biblos and Announcements Reader is Ken Crichton

Bible study tentatively cancelled this week. John can reach out if anything changes.

## **Baked Potato Lunch**

Stewards will be hosting a Baked Potato Fundraiser today, after the service. Please join us for regular and sweet potatoes-complete, with all the toppings. Free Will Offering will be accepted.

## Office Hours

Reminder, Lynne is in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:30-2:30. She can be reached at 905-987-4515 or [office@newcastleunitedchurch.org](mailto:office@newcastleunitedchurch.org)



## Girl Guide Cookies

Girl Guide Cookies are here! Reach out to Lynne if you would like some. Minty cookies are available as well.

## UCW Meeting

UCW will be meeting in the church hall at 1:30 on April 8<sup>th</sup>. All ladies are welcome!

## Next Week's Service

*Next Sunday will be Humour /Bright Sunday. Please come dressed to put a smile on your neighbour's face or have a funny story or joke to tell.*



**We are now live streaming.**

Please look for us on our YouTube channel

<http://bit.ly/47uMdHt>

**Or go to YouTube and Search:  
Newcastle United Church**

**Service will begin streaming at 10:30**



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## **Response**

L: For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us,

**A: We give praise for the presence of God through the Word.**

**\*Hymn: Vu 253 “Sing Your Joy” v. 1-3**

## **Conversation Time**

**Hymn: Vu 253 “Sing Your Joy” v. 4**

**Reflection: “Stuck Behind Closed Doors”**

**Ministry of Music: "The Spring Has Come"**

**Music: Colin Gibson Words: Shirley Erena Murray**

## ***Our Response***

### **Invitation to The Offering**

**\*The Offertory Hymn MV 34**

**“All Is Done For The Glory Of God” v. 1**

**All is done for the glory of God.**

**Amen! Amen!**

**All depends upon our glorious God.**

**Amen! Amen!**

**Amen! Amen! Amen!**

**All is done for the glory of God.**

**Amen! Amen!**

***Words and music: Abel Nkuinji***



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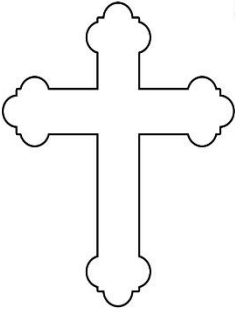
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# Easter Word Search



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