

# The Church at Worship

\* Invitation to stand or join as you are able \* Congregational responses **BOLDED**



**Prelude** *Praise to the Lord the Almighty* arr. Charity Book Putnam

**Welcome/Life of the Fellowship**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**Introit** *Praise to the Lord: Cantilena* arr. Curt Oliver

## *Together, We Come to God*

**Call to Worship**

In life, in death, and beyond death,

**The Risen Christ inspires us**

In success and discouragement, in fear and in hope,

**The Risen Christ inspires us**

Of the poor and broken, of the oppressor and the oppressed

**The Risen Christ inspires us**

In Church and community, in our hearts and our homes,

**The Risen Christ inspires us and we gather today in the presence and light of Christ.**

\* **Opening Hymn** #253 Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

\* **Opening Prayer**

Gracious God, your love reaches us through doors closed by fear and doubt;

**Your life reaches us through wounds and scars.**

Help us to hear your words of peace and healing;

**Fill our hearts with joy so that we too may confess you as our God.**

**AMEN**

\* **Sung Response**

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Words and music John Bell

## *God Speaks to Us*

**Scripture Reading** Acts 2:14a,22-32

**Psalm 16** - responsive, all sing Refrain

REFRAIN

Har-bor of my heart, I take ref - uge in you, pre -

serve me, O God! My joy is in you a - lone.

Cantor: Preserve me, O God, my Savior...

**REFRAIN**

Cantor: He has put into my heart a wondrous love...

**REFRAIN**

Cantor: My destiny, O Lord, is my delight...

**REFRAIN**

Cantor: The pathway of my life will be shown to me...

**REFRAIN**

**Musical Reflection** *We Walk by Faith* Karen Marrolli

**Scripture Reading** 1 Peter 1:3-9

**Children's Time**

**Gospel Reading** John 20: 19-31

**Sermon** *In the Shadow of Doubt: Peace Be With You*

## *We Respond to God*

\* **Hymn of Response** **INSERT** *Be still for the presence of the Lord*

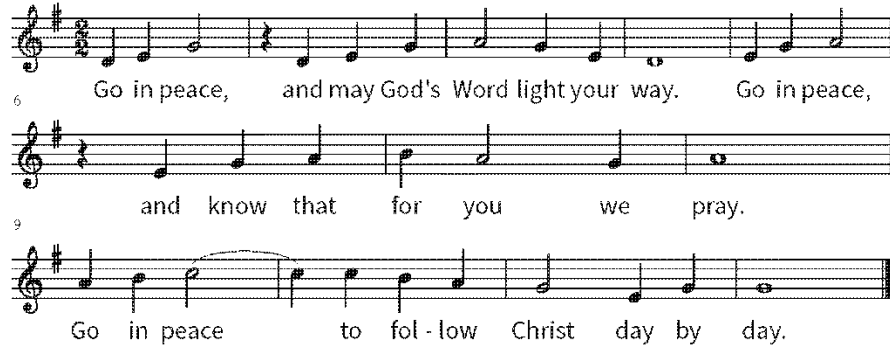
## Blessing of the Offering

### Pastoral Prayer

\* Closing Hymn #251 *Christ is alive*

### \* Benediction

### \* Sung Blessing



6 Go in peace, and may God's Word light your way. Go in peace,  
9 and know that for you we pray.  
Go in peace to fol - low Christ day by day.

Postlude *Look, ye Saints! The Sight is Glorious:* arr. Olivia Cresswell

## NOTES

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**We are grateful to our volunteers without whom today's worship service would not be possible.**

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*MacNeill Baptist Church acknowledges the traditional territory upon which we gather as a community of faith, that territory of the Anishinaabe and the Haudenosaunee peoples. We seek a new relationship with the Original Peoples of this land, one based in peace, friendship, and respect. Acknowledging territory is a beginning and not an ending in terms of our work towards truth and reconciliation. We hope that this acknowledgement will be a springboard towards a deeper relationship with all Indigenous peoples we meet.*

