

TOPSAIL UNITED CHURCH

"The Church by the Side of the Road"

Fully accessible for people with physical disabilities

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"The Mission of Topsail United Church is:

- To offer to all the opportunity to come to know God as revealed in Jesus Christ;
 - To grow in faith through worship, study and prayer;
 - To care for each other and all of God's creation; and
 - To encourage and empower each other to use our talents within the Church."
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| - Ministers: | The Congregation |
| - Youth Program Coordinator: | Heather Cronhelm |
| - Organist: | Beth Cranston |
| - Choir Director: | Andrew Cranston |
| - Choir: | Mixed Choir |
| - Office Manager: | Jacqui Kennedy |
| - Caretaker: | Roger Richards |
| - Clergy: | Rev. Bruce Kearley |

Sunday, April 16th, 10:30 A.M.
EASTER SUNDAY

WELCOME & HAPPY EASTER! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! This ancient Easter greeting heralds the defining story of our faith. In the text, God's loving action on our behalf is evident. The gospels point us to the risen Christ and proclaim the good news available to all.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

ORGAN PRELUDE:

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: #157 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsive)

One: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

One: God has said a resounding "Yes!" to the world!

All Come, let us worship God.

CONGREGATION SINGS: *(CHRIST CANDLE IS LIT)*

Joyful, joyful we adore you God of glory, life and love,
hearts unfold like flowers before you opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive the gloom of doubt away,
giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & WORK:

PRAYER OF APPROACH: (In Unison)

Loving God, we lift our hearts in praise. This very day we know that life rules over death. All your promises to your people now hold new meaning. Christ is risen from the dead and we have new life because of that. You had proclaimed “Yes!” as a challenge to the problems of the world. As we hear that bold proclamation, help us to find new ways to make it our proclamation in our day-to-day living. Amen.

HYMN: #412 “This Is The Day”

TALK TIME with Heather:

WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING:

Matthew 28: 1-10

ANTHEM: “Because He Lives”

SERMON: “Going Ahead Of You”

HYMN: #173 “Thine Is The Glory”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION

OFFERTORY & DOXOLOGY:

From God we have the gifts of earth;
From Christ’s stone tomb we have our birth;
We offer now our tithe and pray
That Christ bring justice in our day.

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

THE LORD'S PRAYER: (#959 – VU - sung)

ANTHEM: “The Holy City”

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION: “Joy Comes with the Dawn” (VU166)

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE:

