



Sunday, April 12, 2026, 10:00 AM
2nd Sunday of Easter

* Please feel free to stand in Body and Spirit

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude *This Joyful Eastertide* – 17th-century melody

Responsive (Leader/People)

Leader: Return to light.

People: God comes once again, bringing the gift of a new day!

Leader: Return to light.

People: Jesus rises at Easter, confirming the gift of new hope!

Leader: Return to light.

People: Spirit sweeps through us, igniting the gift of new life.

(The new Christ candle is lit.)

Leader: Return to light.

People: The light has returned to us!

Leader: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

* **Opening Hymn** VU #161 *Welcome, Happy Morning*

Life at Knox

Opening Prayer

WE EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE

**Offering will be collected at your seats and
brought forward during the singing of the Offertory Hymn.**

Musical Offering 🎵🎵

* **Offertory Hymn** MV #182

Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son,
joyful in your Spirit flowing over all, O God of Love.

Grateful for the Bread of Heaven, thankful for your Holy Word,
joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.

* **Offertory Prayer** (Unison)

Holy One

We are thankful to you for the gifts we have received each day. We are reaching out to our neighbours and around the world as we present these gifts you have given us. Use our time, talent and treasures to serve those who you see need them, passing on your love, comfort and your strength. In Jesus' name we pray Amen.

SHARING OUR STORY

* **Children's Hymn** VU #605 *Jesus, Teacher, Brave and Bold*

Reading John 20:29

Time for the Young at Heart

(Please feel free to use the words and language you are most comfortable using during the Lord's Prayer.)

Lord's Prayer, taught to us by Jesus Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

God Sightings and Celebrations (a God Sighting is the place You saw God at work in your life or in the Surrounding Creation)

Ministry of Music *Praise and Thanksgiving* – Johannes Matthias Michel

"Song of Faith" (Line 199-207, 211)

Leader: We sing of a Church

People: Seeking to continue the Story of Jesus by embodying Christ's presence in the world.

Leader: We are Called together by Christ as a community of broken but hopeful believers

People: Loving what he loved, living what he taught,

Leader: striving to be faithful servants of God in our time and place.

People: Our Living of the Gospel makes us part of this communion of saints.

Gospel John 20:19-31

Reflection *To Believe or Not To Believe*

WE RESPOND IN PRAYER

Invitation to Prayer VU #400

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace! X2**

Prayers of the People

WE DEPART IN PEACE

*** Closing Hymn VU #686 *God of Grace and God of Glory***

*** Commission and Benediction**
Worship has ended, and OUR service begins.

Sung Response VU #826, Refrain 2

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Postlude *The Strife Is O'er* – Carl Simone

Please join us for coffee downstairs.

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