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(Portions of the service that are in **BOLD** are to be said by all.
All points marked * those who are able are invited to stand.)

Approach

Welcome and Announcements

- * Gathering Hymn VU #415 – *“God, We Praise You for the Morning”*

Call to Worship

One: He is risen!

All: What do you mean?

One: He lives!

All: How can that be?

One: We can discern his living presence in our midst.

All: We can indeed; thanks be to God!

- * Opening Hymn VU #184 – *“As We Walked Home at Close of Day”*

Prayer of Approach and Confession

O God of all people everywhere, you know us through and through. We do not feel as if we need confession; we are not bad people. But you have shown us in Jesus how often we fail to hear what others are feeling and saying -- others who have been hurt by our unexamined prejudices and even our sometimes arrogant righteousness. Please give to us a full share of genuine humility while standing at our full height and embracing the love you have for us. We pray in the name of the living Christ. AMEN

Assurance of Pardon

Children’s Time / The Lord’s Prayer

- * Hymn VU #373 – *“As Comes the Breath of Spring”*

The Word

- 📖 Scripture Reading – Psalm 116: 1-4, 12-19
Luke 24: 13-35

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.
THANKS BE TO GOD!

Meditation – “Run, Mary, Run.”

(a quiet time for your personal reflection and prayer)

Anthem – “Run, Mary, Run”

The Response

- * Offering / Response

Stir up in our hearts, O Lord,

What you want us to do.

You showed your love upon the cross.

We want to give of our lives to you. (repeat all)

Pastoral Prayer

- * Hymn VU #253 – *“Sing Your Joy”*

- * Benediction / Response

With a vision of hope we move along.

Empowered by faith we carry on.

Reaching out far and wide, moving forward reaching high.

Filled with hope, filled with dreams, we journey on.

Rev. Bob Galston, Guest Minister

Luci Toews, Office Administrator

Bob Mann, Liturgist

Laura Steidl, Music Director

Myrna Hagues, Organist

Gina Grant, Custodian

Ushers: Leo Grandy and Brian Nazarko

Greeters: Gord Goossen and Derek Read