

# CHARLESWOOD MENNONITE CHURCH

April 5, 2026 ~ Worship Service 10:45 am

**Worship Leader:** Lisa Enns

**Speaker:** Jonathan Neufeld

**Readers' Theatre:** Kathy Fast, Lynette Wiebe

**Song Leader:** Alisa Wiebe

**Visuals:** Kathy Fast, Lynette Wiebe

**Pianist/Children's Story:** Emily Rempel

**Ushers:** James & LeAnn Friesen

**Technician:** Josh Fast

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## Dwelling in Dissonance

*Easter Sunday: Death and Resurrection*

### GATHERING IN RESURRECTION JOY

Prelude

Alleluia! Christ is risen!... *He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!*

Words of Welcome and Introduction

Song: VT 346 *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

Call to Worship

One: Welcome Easter.

*All: Welcome relief!*

One: Newfound joy is washing over this grief.

*All: Welcome mystery. Welcome surprise!*

One: Impossible reality - risen, before our eyes!

*All: Welcome Jesus, our Saviour and Friend.*

One: Welcome seeking and naming.

*All: Welcome love without end.*

Song: VT 355 *Thine Is the Glory*

### GOD SHARES A WORD

Children's Story

Scripture Reader's Theatre: Racing to See Jesus (based on John 12:1-18)

Song: VT 356 *Be Not Afraid*

Sermon

Confession Poem

A Moment for Silent Reflection

### THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS

Song: VT 333 *Low in the Grave He Lay*

Offering of Ourselves

Sharing (*livestream paused*) & Prayer

### GOD SENDS

Announcements

Song: VT 565 *Christ Is Alive, and Goes Before Us*

Sending Blessing

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#### Charleswood Mennonite Church Affirmation Statement (June 9, 2019)

Charleswood Mennonite Church is rooted in the Anabaptist Mennonite tradition as a community of faith committed to becoming the body of Christ.

We welcome all persons to worship and participate with us. We acknowledge the image of God in every person including those of every gender identity and sexual orientation. We invite all to participate in our congregation's practices such as baptism, church membership, church leadership, and marriage. We lament the prejudice and discrimination found in society and in the church, and we commit to holding each other accountable to the teachings and example of Jesus Christ.

We celebrate and affirm all persons worshiping with us. Together we seek to be a pilgrim community of mission, service, hospitality, grace, healing, justice, peace, and love.