## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter – April 7, 2024 ORDER OF WORSHIP – Rev. Tom Woods Please stand where \*\* is indicated

Gathering Song: VU 173 Thine Is the Glory vv. 1,2

## Announcements:

## Welcome:

In this community of faith, we celebrate that all are welcome in this place. All are welcome by God's grace.

## \*\*Call to Worship:

How wonderful it is when God's people live together in peace.

It's like being anointed with precious, perfumed oil, poured over our heads, running over our clothes!

It's fresh and green, like the mountains and the land covered with morning dew! God blesses us and gives us life that never ends! Thank you, God! as we continue the joyful celebration of Easter, let us worship God!

## \*\*Opening Prayer:

It is a joy to come before you, O God, in the light of the empty tomb. It is a joy to know that, even when we have doubts, still you have patience with us, and you gently wait for our faith to grow. Give us that same patience, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

\*\*Opening Hymn: The Hymnal 213 Because He Lives

## Scripture:

Acts 4:32-35

- offered by John Lindsay-Botten

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. Thanks be to God.

John 20:19-31

Hear the Witness of the Gospel. Thanks be to God.

### <u>Message</u>

# **Reverend Tom Woods**

## Ministry of Music: In the Twinkling of an Eye

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Minute for Mission:

# **Offering Invitation:**

Hymn During Offering: VU 560 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

### \*\*Offertory Response: MV 191 What Can I Do?

#### **\*\*Offering Dedication:**

#### Prayers of the People:

#### The Lords Prayer:

**<u>\*\*Hymn</u>**: We Are A Rainbow

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#### \*\*Blessing:

**<u>\*\*Parting Song</u>: VU 173** Thine Is the Glory (v. 3)/ Go Now in Peace (words Nancy Price & Don Besig; music Don Besig)

## OUR MISSION

#### TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE BY LIVING THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS: showing mercy, promoting justice, offering forgiveness, acceptance, and hope.

## OUR VISION

We, the congregation of Knox United Church, publicly proclaim our commitment to become an open and welcoming community of faith. We declare that we welcome everyone regardless of age, race, ability, sexual orientation, and gender identity. Everyone is welcome here. Through the process of honouring diversity and challenging injustice with those who bear the weight of discrimination, we commit ourselves to openness, growth, education, love, and acceptance.

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