

A vertical photograph of a sunset over the ocean. The sun is a bright yellow orb on the horizon, casting a shimmering reflection on the water. The sky is filled with soft, colorful clouds in shades of orange, yellow, and blue. The text is overlaid in a white, elegant script font.

*Jesus Christ
is risen today*

Alleluia!

St. John's United Church

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April 21, 2019 Easter Sunday

*Please note that an asterisk * invites you to stand as you are able
Assistive Listening Systems are available - see ushers*

Welcome

Announcements

Processional Hymn: "Jesus Christ Is Risen
Today" #155

To Praise God

Call to Worship:

Welcome today! Look where our Lenten journey
has brought us!

**We walked the seashore and the hills with
Jesus; we went to the upper room and to
the Garden of Sorrows, we stood at the
cross and hid in a room out of our fear.**

Now we are here, in the splendor and beauty of
this place!

**Everything is bursting with life. Jesus is
alive! He is risen!**

Hallelujah! **Hallelujah!**

Choir Introit: "Christ Is Risen, Yes, Indeed"

VU #180 Arr. L. Wesley

Prayer of Approach:

**In this moment of mystery, in this moment
of hope, in this moment of life, loving God
– open our hearts to the wonder! Open
our senses to the possibilities! Open our
tombs that we've created, and show us
that they are empty of what we've come to
expect, but full of the new possibilities.**

Alleluia! Let it be! Amen. *(Written by Richard Bott,
Easter Gathering, p. 43)*

To Open the Scriptures

Scripture: John 20: 1-10 NT p.140
Winston Kinnaird

Ministry of Music: "He Is Risen, Alleluia!"
Tom Fettke Arr. L. Wesley

Scripture: John 20: 11-18 NT p.140
Winston Kinnaird

***Hymn:** "Sing a Happy Hallelujah" #224

Time to Wonder

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture: Acts 10: 34-43 NT p.157

Ministry of Music: "The Lamb"
Linda Almond Arr. Tom Fettke

Sermon

***Hymn:** "Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks"
#179

To Respond in Faith

Offering

***Doxology:** VU #220 vs 4 (on screen)

Prayer of Dedication

Affirmation of Faith: VU #918 (on screen)

Prayers of the People

We Return, Strengthened, To Live Our Faith

***Hymn:** "Thine Is the Glory" #173

Benediction

Choral Blessing: #974

Ushers: Gertie Flay, Bill McElrea, Laurie Fraser

Regional Prayer Cycle: St. Paul's - Kenmore

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: Armenia, Azerbaijan,
Georgia

Wed. April 24 - Bible study at 10 am. All welcome.

Sunday April 28 the Social Committee is hosting **Sandwich Sunday** at St. John's. Come and enjoy food, fun and fellowship after church.

Rideau Hill Camp clean-up will take place on April 27th at 9:00 am till late afternoon. Please come out and help the camp. Contact Dale or Kathy at 258-4367.

St. John's Anniversary Dinner and Show - May 4

The show will feature music from Broadway and the movies. **Tickets** are available in the office. Pork Loin Dinner! Adults \$18, Family \$40, Kids 12 and under \$8.

A **Concert & Afternoon Tea** to benefit women's health education will be held on Sunday, May 5th at NGDHS between 1-5pm. The **World Health Organisation** just named **Femme International** as one of their Top 30 Innovators! Come for a fun time, great live music, beautiful silent auction items from Tanzania and guest speaker ED Sabrina Rubli. Tickets \$10 at the door, free for children.

North Grenville Concert Choir is proudly presenting "**Now is the Month of May(ing)**". This is a celebration of Madrigals which are the lovely songs from Renaissance times. The choir directed by Philip Konopka will be accompanied by Will O'Neill on guitar and Michael Morgan on flute. Concert dates are **May 10**, 7:30 pm at Manotick United, **May 11**, 7:30 pm at Merrickville United Arts Centre and **May 12**, 2 pm at St. John's United. Tickets \$15 online: ngcc.eventbrite.ca or at Brewed Awakenings, Kemptville.

Trivia Night for Rideau Hill Camp on May 21 at Red Dot Café in Osgoode. \$10 each. Reserve a table with Cassie at 613-203-1835.