

## Lakefield United Church

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Easter 2 – Holy Humour

***Indigenous Land Acknowledgement:*** We respectfully acknowledge that Lakefield United Church is located on the Treaty 20 Michi Saagiig territory and in the traditional territory of the Michi Saagiig and Chippewa Nations, collectively known as Williams Treaty First Nations, which include: Curve Lake, Hiawatha, Alderville, Scugog Island, Rama, Beausoleil, and Georgina Island First Nations.

*Lakefield United Church respectfully acknowledges that the Parties of Williams Treaties are the stewards and caretakers of these lands and waters, and that we all must take responsibility and work together to ensure their health and integrity for generations to come.*

We gather with Praise  
(asterisk \* indicates please stand as able)

# **Prelude Meditation on “O Waly Waly” by Colin Curtis**

**Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Introduction to the day**

**Candle Lighting**

May the Light of Christ surround this day as  
we worship.

**Call to Worship**

**\*Opening Prayer (Responsive)**

Holy one,

**you smile and the sun bursts  
through the shadows of chaos;**

**you chuckle,**

**and the platypus splashes  
in creation’s fountain;**

you laugh,

**and all that is good and beautiful  
is given shape by you,**

**Imaginative God.**

Laughing Jesus,  
**you snicker at the feeble attempts  
of the evil one,  
you show us how to resist temptation;  
giggling at sends desperate desire  
to hold onto us,  
you release us by your love;  
howling with laughter  
at deaths foolish belief  
that the tomb could hold you,  
you burst forth into the kingdom  
as the stars peel with joy.**

As you fill us with new life,  
may we delight in sharing it with others;  
**as you tell us the good news  
which can never be taken from us,  
may we rejoice in offering it  
to the broken, the sad, the lonely;**  
as you tickle us with grace,  
**may we give it away  
with laughter on our lips  
and joy in our hearts,  
Spirit of Easter.**

*Thom Shuman*

## **Conversation Time**

**Hymn VU 179 Hallelujah, Hallelujah 1, 2, 4**

**Scripture Lesson Acts 2:14-41**

## **Reflection**

**\*Hymn MV 106 I Am the Dream**

## **Prayers of The People**

**Prayer Response VU # 400 Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying**

## **Lord's Prayer:**

**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  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil:  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## **Invitation to the Offering**

### **Offertory Anthem: The Gift of Love**

#### **Offering Prayer**

**God of joy and laughter, every week we offer our coins and bills and checks and online givings in spite of our worry that we may run out when it comes time to pay the heating bill or fill up the car with gas**

**We know that all our blessings come from you, and that we are called to share blessings with others. Help us to give us a joyful heart, confident in the abundance of your love in the power of your spirit to multiply what we offer for the good of this church, this community and your world.  
Amen**

#### **Dedication of the Offering**

**The Festival Doxology” (tune VU 217)**

**Praise God the Giver and the Gift;  
All hearts and voices now uplift:  
Christ is risen! Alleluia!  
Creator, Christ and Spirit One  
From whom new life and joy have come:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia!**

**Hymn      MV 135 Called by Earth 1, 2, 4**

**\*Benediction**

**Choral Benediction VU 884 You Shall Go  
Out With Joy**

**Postlude      Fanfare on “God of Our  
Fathers” by Craig A. Penfield**