

**ERB STREET MENNONITE CHURCH**  
**Sunday, April 5, 2026**  
*Easter Sunday*

**Prelude**

**Opening Hymn** *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* **VT 346**

**Welcome**

**Territorial Acknowledgement**

**Call to Worship**

One: Listen. Do you hear it?

**All: *The sound of joy, of laughter, of praise!***

One: Listen! It sounds like harmony.

**All: *Voices singing Christ has risen!***

One: Yes! Yesterday's tears linger, as they must,

**All: *but love is stronger than death.***

One: Dissonance and harmony, the music of the soul.

Can you hear it?

**All: *It is the sound of resurrection.***

One: Let us worship the Risen One. Christ is risen!

**All: *Christ is risen indeed!***

**Opening Prayer**

**Hymn** *Lift Your Glad Voices* **VT 340**

**Story Circle**

**Children's Coin Offering** *Low in the Grave He Lay* **VT 333**

**Offertory Prayer\***

**Worship Music** Banyamulenge Choir

**Scripture Reading** John/Yohana 20:1-18

**Sung Scripture Response** *Who Are These* **VT 360**

**Sermon** *Resurrecting Attention*

**Hymn of Response** *Beyond a Dying Sun* **VT 416**

**Worship Music** *I Know That My Redeemer Lives* traditional  
arr. J. Bender

**Congregational Prayer**

**Hymn** *Praise God* **VT 70**

(Chosen by Mel Bauman for his 92<sup>nd</sup> Birthday on April 6)

**Announcements**

**Hymn of Sending** *Thine Is the Glory* **VT 355**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

**PARTICIPANTS**

Worship Leader: Jim Erb

Accompanists: Joanne Bender and Sheila Wallace

Territorial Acknowledgement: Nina Bailey-Dick

Song Leader: Marg Hull

Story Circle: Jason Schattman

Scripture Readers: Susan Edgar (English)

Brigitte Mapendo (Kinyarwanda)

Sermon: Chip Bender

Congregational Prayer: Wendy Janzen

Sound: Joe Wildfong

Tech Host: Eric Wildfong

Translator: Innocent Ruhumuriza

Ushers: John & Rosemary Shantz

Greeters: John & Sandra Schiedel

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