Worship Resource for MISSION AWARENESS SUNDAY

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

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WELCOME TO OUR

'MISSION AWARENESS' WORSHIP SERVICE



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MISSION SUNDAY

Call to Worship

Leader: We believe! Christ is risen! **People: We have no doubt—He is risen indeed!** Leader: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. **People: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

(Psalm 118:22-23)

MUSICAL CALL TO WORSHIP

We worship God in harmony With hearts in full accord; We share one Spirit, hope and faith, One Father and one Lord, In Jesus Christ our Lord and King, In Jesus Christ our Lord. The Spirit makes us all in one In Jesus Christ our Lord.

SING A NEW SONG UNTO THE LORD #422

<u>Chorus:</u>

Sing a new song unto the Lord;

let your song be sung from mountain's height.

Sing a new song unto the Lord,

Singing Hallelujah!

For God's people dance for joy.
 Oh come before the Lord,
 Play for the Lord on glad tambourines,
 And let your trumpet sound.

<u>Chorus</u>

Vs. 1 of 3

2. Rise, O children, from your sleep;Your Saviour now has come.He has turned your sorrow to joy,And filled your soul with song.

Chorus:

Sing a new song unto the Lord; let your song be sung from mountain's height. Sing a new song unto the Lord, Singing Hallelujah!

Vs 2 of 3

Glad my soul for I have seen the glory of the Lord.
 The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised.
 I know my Saviour lives.

Chorus:

Sing a new song unto the Lord; let your song be sung from mountain's height. Sing a new song unto the Lord, Singing Hallelujah!

Vs 3 of 3



and you shall find JESUS

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 118:14-29

One: The Lord is my strength and my song; He has given me victory.

All: Songs of joy and victory are sung in the camp of the godly.

One: The strong right arm of the Lord has done glorious things!

All: The strong right arm of the Lord is raised in triumph. One: The strong right arm of the Lord has done glorious things!

All: I will not die; instead, I will live to tell what the Lord has done.

- One: The Lord has punished me severely, but He did not let me die.
- All: Open for me the gates where the righteous enter, and I will go in and thank the Lord.
- One: these gates lead to the presence of the Lord, and the godly enter there.
- All: I thank you for answering my prayer and giving me victory!
- One: The stone that the builders rejected has now become the cornerstone.
- All: This is the Lord's doing, and it is wonderful to see.
- One: This is the day the Lord has made.

All: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

- **One:** Please, Lord, please save us.
- All: Please, Lord, please give us success.
- One: Bless the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
- All: We bless you from the house of the Lord.
- One: The Lord is God, shining upon us.
- All: Take the sacrifice and bind it with cords on the altar.
- One: You are my God, and I will praise you!
- All: You are my God, and I will exalt you!
- **Gloria Patri**
- Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
- Ghost; as it was in the beginning, it is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen, Amen

JESUS IS RISEN FROM THE GRAVE #254

Jesus is risen from the grave;
 Jesus is risen from the grave; Jesus is risen from the grave;
 Hallelujah!

2. Peter will soon be smiling; Peter will soon be smiling; Peter will soon be smiling; Halleljuah!

3. Thomas will stop his doubting;Thomas will stop his doubting; Thomas will stop his doubting. Hallelujah

Vs 3 of 5

4. Jesus will meet his people; Jesus will meet his people;Jesus will meet his people.Hallelujah

Jesus will live forever; Jesus will live forever;
 Jesus will live forever.
 Hallelujah

Vs. 5 of 5

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN <u>STARTING OVER</u>









SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 5:27-32

Revelation 1:4-8

John 20:19-31

CHRIST, YOU CALL US ALL TO SERVICE #585 Tune of #674

- 1. Christ, you call us to service,
- Call us all who follow you;
- Plant in us a deep commitment all your work and will to do.
- Fire a passion for your justice; in us kindle love of peace;
- Help us heal the broken-hearted;
- to the captive bring release.

Vs 1 of 3

2. Teach us how to work together, brother, sister, side by side, equal partners in the struggle, in the cause of truth allied.
To each one some gift is givenman or woman, young or old Help us use each skill and talent, your great purpose to unfold.

3. Let us be a servant people
Reconciling, ending strife,
Seeking ways more just of sharing
And of ordering human life.
Fill us with a glowing vision of this world as it should be;
Send us forth to change that vision into blest reality.

NO DOUBT John 20:24-31

By Rev. Dr. Lynda Reid





DOUBT CAN HOLD US BACK







We are a people founded on God's word providing a joyful environment for all to grow in their faith in Jesus Christ through creative worship and service to others.









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ST. PAUL'S COMMUNITY GARDEN





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OFFERING

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayers of the People

<u>Leader:</u> Almighty Giver, we thank you for the many gifts you have given to us. We come to you knowing how blessed we are for the freedom to worship. There are places in the world where Christians are forced to worship secretly.

<u>People:</u> We pray that one day your name will be glorified in shouts of open praise.

Leader: You are our God, but there are times we feel like doubting Thomas, times when our faith feels distant, or is tested by the injustices in our society.

<u>People:</u> Give us confidence O God, to believe that Jesus is walking with us at all times.

- <u>Leader:</u> We rejoice in the season of Easter reminding us that Jesus went to the cross of forgiveness and gave us resurrection hope.
- **People: Thank you God, for the ministry of Jesus Christ,** who has called us and guided us to live as his disciples. Leader: We rejoice that The Presbyterian Church in Canada confidently engages in mission in the world. We thank you for the staff of the WMS, International Ministries, Canadian Ministries, Justice Ministries, and PWS&D who make the church aware of the places in the world where the gospel needs to be presented in word or in action.
- <u>People:</u> We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry.

<u>Leader:</u> We pray for our international mission staff, who work in partnership with ministries in Japan, Taiwan, Nepal and Malawi. We remember David McIntosh in Japan. We thank you for the creative work of Paul McLean in Taiwan whose specialty is Bible translation.

<u>People:</u> We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry.

<u>Leader:</u> We pray for the Together We Can! projects of the Women's Missionary Society. We pray for the ministry in Haiti which is working to end gender-based violence. We pray for our friends at the Kenora Fellowship Centre. We are thankful for the new partnership with Tumakatana in Africa and pray that it may flourish.

<u>People:</u> We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry.

<u>Leader:</u> We pray for the ministry of the church as it reaches out to serve First Nations communities, especially as the church works to provide safe and peaceful places for healing and reconciliation.

<u>People:</u> We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry.

<u>Leader</u>: We pray for congregations and presbyteries who are sharing with Canadian Ministries in new church development. We particularly think of the project at Dunnville Presbyterian Church in Dunnville, Ontario.

<u>People:</u> We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry.

Leader: We pray for all the churches who provide assistance to refugees uprooted from their homeland and are required to make a new way in our communities.

<u>People:</u> We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry. We pray that we too will be open to opportunities to serve in our church and community. In Jesus name. Amen.

TO THINE BE THE GLORY #258

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering son,
 Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won;
 Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
 Kept the folded grave clothes, where thy body lay.
 Thine be the glory, risen, conquering son;
 Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

2. Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing
For her Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering son;
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
Vs 2 of 3

- 3. No more we doubt thee, glorious prince of life;
- Life is nought without thee:
- Aid us in our strife;
- Make us more than conquerors,
- through they deathless love:
- Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.
- Thine be the glory, risen, conquering son;
- Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

BENEDICTION

There is no doubt – Christ is risen! Go into the community sharing the good news of Jesus' sacrificial love.

"Grace be with all who have an undying love for our Lord Jesus Christ." Ephesians 6:24

CHORAL BLESSING

May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul. May God's love dwell in you, Throughout every day. May God's countenance shine upon you And be gracious to you. May God's Spirit be upon you As you leave this place.



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