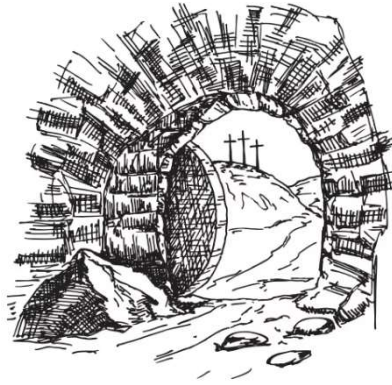


**Mountain View United Church**  
**85 MacBeath Ave., Moncton NB E1C 6Z3**  
**April 5, 2026**

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**Rev. Jacob Shaw**  
**Jason Noble**  
**Sarah Nelson**  
**Sarah Shaw**  
**Eduardo Nerona**

**Gathering Music**

**Words of Welcome**

God is good, **all the time...** all the time, **God is good.**

**Hymn: Jesus Christ is Risen Today**      **VU 155**

- 1 Jesus Christ is risen today, hallelujah! our triumphant holy day, hallelujah! who did once, upon the cross, hallelujah! suffer to redeem our loss. Hallelujah!
- 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing hallelujah! unto Christ, our heavenly King, hallelujah! who endured the cross and grave, hallelujah! sinners to redeem and save. Hallelujah!
- 3 But the pains which he endured, hallelujah! our salvation have procured; hallelujah! now above

the sky he's King, hallelujah! where the angels ever sing. Hallelujah!

- 4 Sing we to our God above, hallelujah! praise eternal as God's love; hallelujah! praise our God, ye heavenly host, hallelujah! praise the Son and Holy Ghost. Hallelujah!

### **Lighting of the Christ Candle:**

The angels proclaimed He is risen, the women proclaimed He is risen, the men proclaimed He is risen. All his disciple know Jesus Christ has risen. Let us make this our triumphant song.

### **Call to Worship:**

Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed! They found the stone rolled away.**

Death could not hold Him; the grave is empty!

**The Lord calls us by name, as He called Mary.**

Let our hearts respond. Rabbi! Teacher! We come to worship the living Christ.

**Alleluia! Let us rejoice and be glad, for the Lord has risen, and turns our mourning into joy! Come, let us adore Him!**

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

**VU 179**

R Hallelujah, hallelujah. Give thanks to the risen Christ; hallelujah, hallelujah! Give praise to God's name.

1 Jesus is Lord of all the earth, firstborn of all creation. R

2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died and is risen. R

3 We have been crucified with Christ, now we shall live for ever. R

4 Come let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Saviour. R

### **Opening Prayer:**

**Risen Lord Jesus, in the dim light of dawn You conquered the darkness of death. Open our eyes to see that You are alive, call us by name Lord, and fill our hearts with the joy of resurrection. Turn our fears into faith, our tears into testimony, that we may proclaim, "I have seen the Lord!" In Your holy and powerful name, we pray, Amen.**

## **Children's Song:**

**VU 575 v 1 & 4**

### **I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me**

- 1 I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere,  
Lord, anytime! I'm gonna live so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
- 4 I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere,  
Lord, anytime! I'm gonna sing so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

## **Children's Ministry**

### **Ministry of Music**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Merciful God, like Mary at the tomb, we sometimes come to You in grief and confusion, expecting only death where You have brought life. We confess that we have wept in the shadows, failing to recognize Your risen presence among us. Forgive us, O God. Roll away the stones that seal our hearts. Speak our names in love, awaken us to Your victory, and send us forth as witnesses to Your resurrection. In the name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns, we pray. Amen.**

## Scripture

**John 20:1-18** read by Debbie Ellison

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two

angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher"). Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

## **Reflection**

**Hymn: Hey Now! Singing Hallelujah      MV 121**

R. Hey now! Singing hallelujah! Hey now! The morning has come! Hey now! Singing hallelujah! The tomb was empty at the rising sun.

1 Jesus loved people and he made them friends, Hey now, the tomb is empty. He called to the children and the women and men. Hey now, the tomb is empty. R

2 Jesus healed people and he helped them be well. Hey now, the tomb is empty. He taught about God in the stories he'd tell. Hey now, the tomb is empty. R

3 Jesus loved people and they said he was a king. Hey now, the tomb is empty. He turned all the tables on everything. Hey now, the tomb is empty. R

4 Jesus had power and they took him away. Hey now, the tomb is empty. They nailed him to a cross and they killed him one day. Hey now, the tomb is empty. R

5 Jesus loves people and he lives again! Hey now, the tomb is empty. Calls us disciples and he calls us his friends. Hey now, the tomb is empty. R

## **Baptismal Liturgy**

Sisters and Brothers, let us celebrate God's gift of grace given to us in the sacrament of Baptism. As Romans, chapter 6 explains: *What shall we say then? Shall we go on sinning that grace may increase? By no means! We are those who have died of sin; how can we live in it any longer? Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore, we were buried with him through baptism into death so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.* Brothers and sisters in Christ, this sacrament is an affirmation of the life solely gained through faith in Jesus Christ.

**Clerk of Session:** On behalf of the congregation of Mountain View United Church, I present the following person for initiation into the body of Christ through baptism: Kelsey Denne

### **Words of Faith**

*To our baptismal candidate:*

Do you believe in one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? If so say, **I do, by the grace of God.**

Desiring the freedom of new life in Christ, do you seek to resist evil, and to live in love and justice? If so say, **I do, God being my helper.**

Have you turned to Jesus Christ and accepted him as Saviour and Lord? If so say, **I have, by the grace of God.**

*To the congregation:*

Let us pledge to Kelsey our support and care.

**As a baptized and baptizing people, we commit ourselves to support and uphold you within the community of faith.**

May God grant us all the grace to live out our baptism.  
**Amen.**

### **Preparing the waters for baptism**

*Rev. Jacob pours out the water - All Pray:*

**Blessed are You, O God, King of the Universe, Maker of heaven and earth, sea and sky. In the beginning, Your Spirit was at work over the waters at creation's birth, and You have continued to bless us through water by cleansing, quenching, and liberating ways. In the fullness of time, you gave Jesus to us, nurtured in the waters of Mary's womb, baptized in the waters of the River Jordan, giver of living water, wellspring of eternal life.**

**Pour out, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us, and upon this water, that this font may become a font of blessing and a source of Your grace. All glory, praise, and honour be to you, now and forever. Amen.**

**Words of Baptism, Blessing, and marked with the sign of the cross: Kelsey Denne**

**Laying of Hands and Congregational Blessing**

Kelsey, may the power of the Holy Spirit work within you, that being born of water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful witness of Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Presentation to Congregation**

**Membership Liturgy**

The church is a community of people with varied gifts, united by the Holy Spirit. We gather to celebrate God's presence, welcome the revelation of God's truth, and follow the way of Jesus Christ, our Lord. By our baptism, we are made members of Christ's church. We exercise this membership which for us is The United Church of Canada, and within the context of a local community of faith. We welcome into this congregation those who are already member of the church of Jesus Christ.

**Clerk of Session:** On behalf of Mountain View United Church congregation, I present the following persons whom we welcome into the membership of this community of faith:

Damilola Elizabeth Oluwasanya

Dare Issac Oluwasanya

Darasimi Racheal Oluwasanya

Dare Daniel Oluwasanya

Desola Deborah Oluwasanya

Earah Tyffonny Louie Nisnisan

Edah Karrylle Nisnisan

Kelsey Denne

**Rev. Jacob Shaw:** We as a community welcome you to reaffirm the faith of your baptism.

*To the congregation and nominees for membership:*

Do you believe in one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? If so say, **I do, by the grace of God.**

Desiring the freedom of new life in Christ, do you seek to resist evil, and to live in love and justice? If so say, **I do, God being my helper.**

Have you turned to Jesus Christ and accepted him as Saviour and Lord? If so say, **I have, by the grace of God.**

Nominees, will you join with us as brothers and sisters in this congregation to share in the life, work, and ministry of Jesus Christ? If so say, **I will, God being my helper.**

*To the pre-existing congregation:*

Do you pledge our support and care to all of our nominees?

**As your brothers and sisters in Christ, we rejoice in the gifts you bring to us. We pledge to you our love and our support. With God's help, we will together live out the mission and ministry of Christ.**

**Rev. Jacob Shaw:** Let us formally welcome our brothers and sisters in Christ as members of this local body of God's church!

**Presentation of Gifts and Certificates**

**Invitation to Share Offering**

**Musical Offering**

**Offertory Prayer:**

**Generous God, Giver of every good gift, You have given us the greatest treasure: the risen life of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Use them, we pray, to roll away stones of despair, to bring light into**

**darkness, and to spread the good news that death is defeated and life in Christ is eternal. Amen.**

## **Offering of Personal Prayers to God**

### **Hymn: All Creatures of our God and King**

**VU 217**

- 1 All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing: hallelujah, hallelujah! Bright burning sun with golden beam, soft shining moon with silver gleam, sing praises, sing praises, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!
- 2 O rushing winds and breezes soft, O clouds that ride the winds aloft, sing praises, hallelujah! O rising morn, in praise rejoice; O lights of evening, find a voice: sing praises, sing praises, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!
- 3 Earth, ever fertile, day by day brings forth rich blessings on our way: sing praises, hallelujah! The flowers and fruits that verdant grow, let them God's glory also show: sing praises, hallelujah! hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!
- 4 And everyone of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part: sing praises, hallelujah! All who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and

yield up all your care: sing praises, hallelujah!  
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

- 5 Let all things their Creator bless, and worship  
God in humbleness: sing praises, hallelujah!  
Praise God eternal, praise the Son, and praise  
the Spirit, three in one: sing praises, hallelujah!  
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

### **Spoken Benediction**

He is indeed Risen, let your new life in His be ever  
blessed, and ever blessing. Happy Easter!

### **Benediction: You Shall Go Out With Joy**

**VU 884**

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with  
peace; the mountains and the hills will break forth  
before you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the  
trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands!

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands,  
(clap, clap) the trees of the field will clap their  
hands, (clap, clap) the trees of the field will clap  
their hands (clap, clap) while you go out with joy.

**Postlude † † † † † † † † † † † † †**

Bulletins this week are in loving memory of  
mother, Elaine Eagles by daughter Mary Allen.

# Announcements

## This Week at Mountain View

**Today: Coffee & Conversation 11:30am Hall**  
There will be a Parent & Child activity during Coffee & Conversation for the young and young-at heart – we hope all can join in!

**Tues: Bible Study Lunch 11:00am**  
**Tide and Boar**  
Join our Bible Study group for lunch - all welcome!  
Please call the Office to reserve your spot.

**Bible Study 1:00pm Sanctuary**

**Weds: Choir Practice 7:00pm Sanctuary**

**Note:** There will be no Scrapbooking group April 8

**Sat: Card Making Day 1:00 – 3:00pm**  
**Board Room**

Join our Scrapbooking Group with guest presenter Andrea Briggs. Cost to join is \$10.00. Please call Debbie Ellison at 506-384-2812 or the church office to register.

**Communion:** Please note that our April Communion Service will take place next Sunday, April 12.

**Joyland** - Due to growth in Joyland we are looking for a volunteer to lead either a K - Grade 5 or Grades 6 - 9 group. While it is possible to have all children and youth in the same class, spiritual needs will be better met if separated.

**Camp Ta-Wa-Si** - Funds are available to send two children from the congregation to Camp Ta-Wa-Si this summer. Any parents who have children interested in attending camp should contact the church office, Debbie Ellison or Barb Groundwater. For information on Camp Ta-Wa-Si, go to [www.camptawasi.ca](http://www.camptawasi.ca)

**Coffee & Conversation** – we are looking for donations of cookies, crackers, and various other food “treats” to include in our Coffee & Conversation time as our stores are getting low. Please drop off any donations to the office.

**Scripture Readers** – we are always looking for scripture readers to participate during worship service. Please sign up in the Narthex or contact the office to be on our On-Call list.

**M&S Contributions** – if you want any part of your offering to be earmarked for Mission & Service purposes, please include “M&S” and signify the dollar amount on your offering envelope.

**St. John The Baptist Anglican Church**  
**Spring Concert**

April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in St. John’s Church Hall

Come and enjoy a lively night of Country and Gospel music featuring Ivan & Vivian Hicks & Sussex Avenue Fiddlers, Burning Bush, Maple Sugar...and more! Admission: Donation at the door. Bring your friends and family for a joyful evening of music, community, and praise. All are welcome! Funds raised will go towards our Parish ministry. Contact Sylvia Campbell on 506 381 6550

**If you or you know someone that would like a home or hospital visit from Rev. Shaw please contact the church office. Please note that due to hospital policy, Rev. Shaw is unable to visit patients without an express request from the patient or their next-of-kin. Home visits and/or phone calls can also be arranged by advising the office or calling during Rev. Jacob’s Wednesday office hours (9:00 – 12:00).**

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