



### Our Vision Statement

***“Deepening and demonstrating our faith in Jesus Christ by partnering in and with the community of Central Saanich and beyond.”***

## **CENTRAL SAANICH UNITED CHURCH**

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**Central Saanich United Church**  
**United Church of Canada**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**April 30, 2023**

**Scripture Reader:** Pat & John Gunton  
**Greeters:** Karen Hoshal & Roberta Gault

**WE GATHER**

Prelude  
Welcome, Celebrations, Announcements  
Lighting the Christ Candle

Hymn: **And on This Path**

**MV 8**

Call To Worship:  
As a good shepherd caring for a flock of sheep,  
**so is God's loving care.**  
As a parent with a newborn child,  
**so is God's loving care.**  
As a teacher concerned for a struggling student,  
**so is God's loving care.**  
As a cheerful care aide with an elderly person,  
**so is God's loving care.**  
Nothing can separate us from God's loving care.  
**We find strength in that love,**  
fulfillment in that love,  
**freedom in that love,**  
acceptance in that love,  
**and joy in that love.**  
And so we are ready to worship,  
**And give thanks to God for that love.**

*(by David Sparks, adapted in Gathering, Easter (Year A) 2023, p. 44)*

We pray....  
O God of teeming galaxies and the great empty freeways of space,



We pray...

Hymn: **Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying**

**VU 400**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: **The Lord's My Shepherd**

**VU – p. 747**

Commissioning and Benediction:

Go in peace, confident that the Good Shepherd leads the way.

**We go trusting God will lead us to places of rest and renewal;**

**that Christ will give us courage on the journey;**

**that the Holy Spirit will fill our hearts with joy and generosity;**

And may the blessing of God: Creator, Christ, and Spirit,

dwell in your hearts this day and always.

**Amen.**

*(adapted from The Presbyterian Church in Canada – Worship Planner – April 30, 2023)*

Going Forth: **Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Give Thanks**

**VU 179**

**(refrain, v.2, refrain)**

Postlude

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Worship**, Thursday, May 4, 1 :30 p.m.

**Annual Plant Sale**, Saturday, May 6, 9-1 . See website for details.

**Celebration of Life Service for Selma Young**, Saturday, May 13, 2:30 p.m. Reception to follow in the Church Hall.

**Executive Council Committee**, Wednesday, May 17, 7 p.m.

**UCW**, Friday, May 19, 9:30 a.m.

**Pastoral Care Committee**, Thursday, June 8, 1 p.m.

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*Please refer to our website for Upcoming Events in our  
Community*

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