Easter Sunday Sunday, April 9, 2023 10:00 am



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Happy Easter! Indeed, the season lasts 50 days. Welcome as we continue celebrating our risen Lord.

Serving at Worship Today

Assisting Minister Karen Wetzel

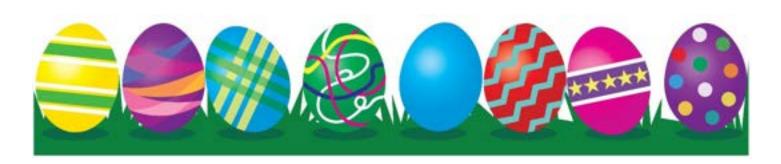
Reader Katie O'Brien

Altar Guild Bill & Karen Wetzel & Holly Flom

Usher Bob Hibbs & Crew

Hosts Easter Breakfast NO coffee hour

Counters Hibbs/Jacobson



Laura O'Brien Pastor

Rob Hibbs Council President

Sheldon Flom Vise President of Council

Teresa Thomas Treasurer

Jessica Madrid Church Bookkeeper

Meghan Hess Church Office Manager

Kacy Fenicottero Director of School

Crystal Weinmann School Bookkeeper

Penny Bazanele **Pianist**

Serena Lodes Choir Director

Easter Sunday Sunday, April 9, 2023 Feast & Celebration

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Presider: In the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen

Presider: If we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

Let us confess our sin to God who is faithful and just and who has

promised to forgive our sin and cleanse us from unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Presider: Most Merciful God,

Congregation: Have mercy on us.

All: We confess to you that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not trusted you with our whole heart; we have not loved one another in deed and in truth. In your compassion forgive our sin and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our light and our truth. Amen.

Presider: With joy, I proclaim to you that Almighty God, rich in mercy, abundant

in love, forgives you all your sin and grants you newness of life in Jesus

Christ.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

GATHERING SONG

Thine Is the Glory



PASTORAL GREETING

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Son:

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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thou o'er death hast won!

C: And also with you.

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NOW THE FEAST





PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray...... O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, so that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

CHOIR TO SING

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

L: The First Lesson is from Acts the 10th chapter, beginning at the 34th verse:

³⁴Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

L: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his mercy endures forever.

²Let Israel now proclaim,

"His mercy endures forever."

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

¹⁵There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

¹⁶"The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!

The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

¹⁷I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.

¹⁸The LORD has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.

²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD; he who is righteous may enter."

- ²¹I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation.
- ²²The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
- ²³This is the LORD's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴On this day the LORD has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4

L: The Second Lesson is from Colossians the 3rd chapter, beginning at the 1st verse:

¹If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

L: The Word of the Lord

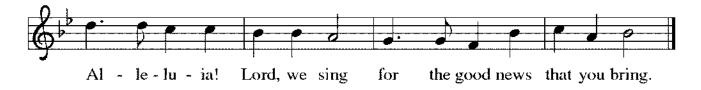
C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



GOSPEL: MATTHEW 28:1-10

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 28th chapter, beginning at the 1st verse:

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." ⁸So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



NICENE CREED

A: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

You call your church to witness to your salvation. We give thanks for all theologians, preachers, and teachers who proclaim your gospel. Equip all the baptized to share the joy of the resurrection in all we say and do. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer. A: You bring abundant life throughout creation. The green blade rises, and all creation greets the resurrection dawn. Preserve vineyards and orchards and those who tend to them. Feed us with the fruits of creation. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You show your steadfast love without regard to borders, barriers, or human-made divisions. Infuse your justice in every nation of the world that all experience the peace that only you can give. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: You anointed your Son with the Holy Spirit and with power. Encourage us by his example in our ministries of healing, care, and outreach. We pray for all who are sick or hospitalized......and for all health care workers who care for them. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Gracious God, watch over and care for all persons who serve in the military..... Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: You have put gladness in our hearts. Inspire musicians and dancers to rejoice with songs of victory. Bless the music ministries of this congregation and all who foster our assembly's song. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

A: As you have raised Jesus from the dead, you show us your resurrection promise. With your holy ones who have sung your praise, free us from fear and empower us to go and tell the good news. Risen Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

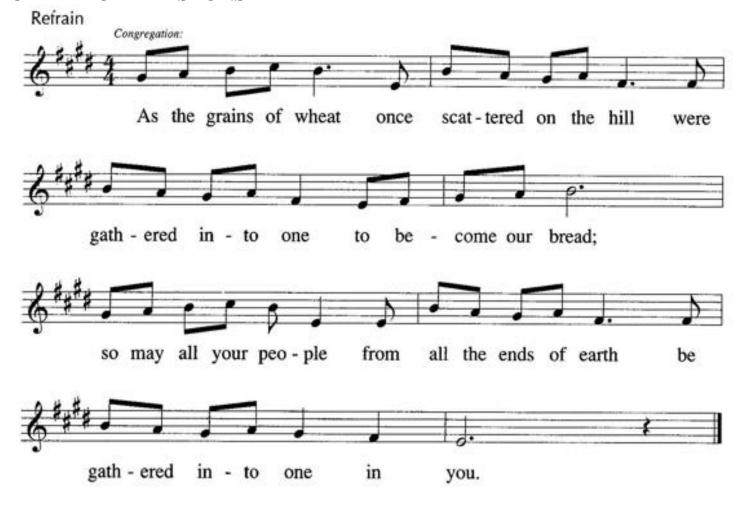
P: Let us greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

The congregation is invited to greet one another with a gesture of peace (hand shake or hug) using these or similar words – *God's peace be with you*.

OFFERING

Gathering of Offerings, Offertory, Presentation of our Gifts

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

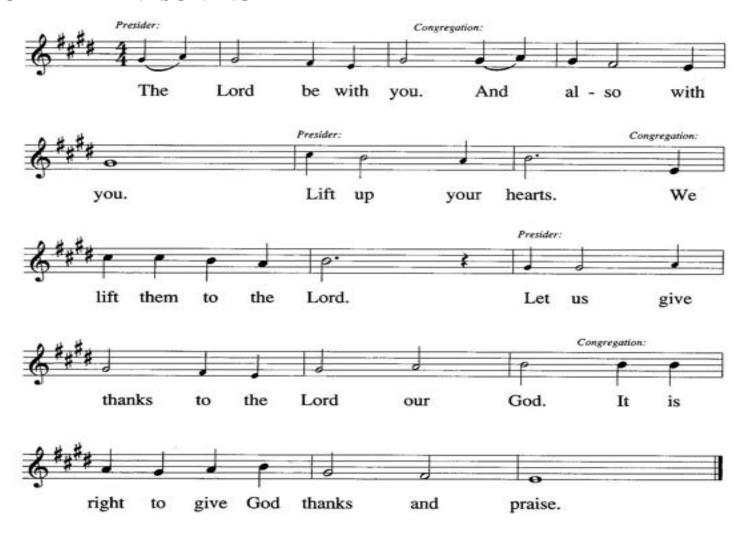


OFFERING PRAYER

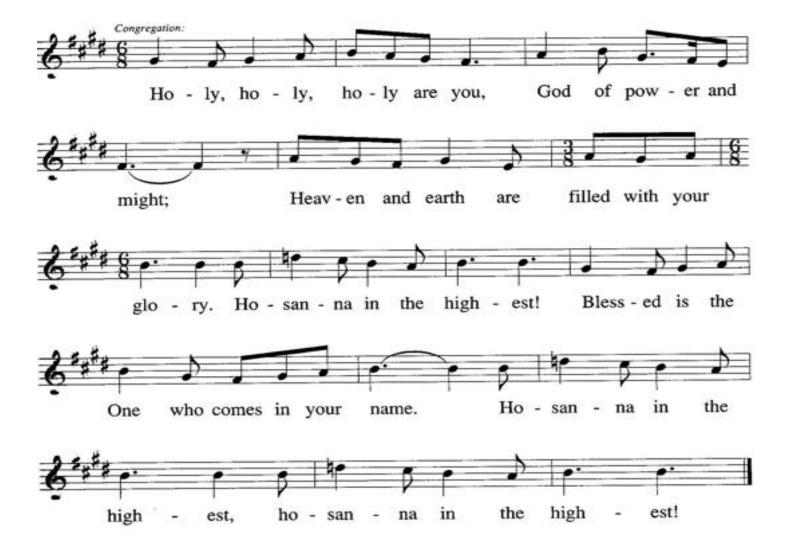
A: Let us pray.... God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

C: Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING



P: It is our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you. O God, through Jesus Christ, who calls us to follow his way of humble service and love, and so with the church on earth, all creation and the host of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



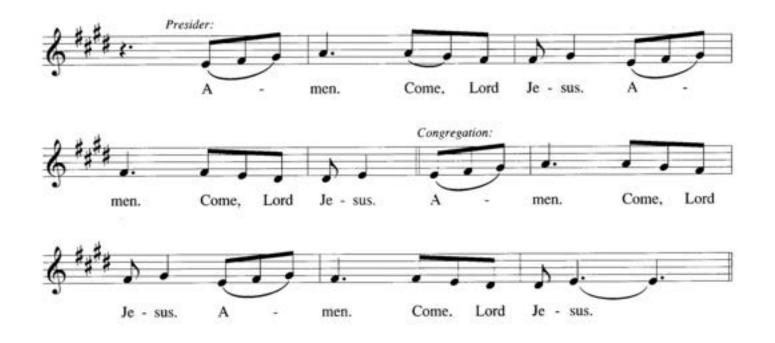
THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: You are indeed holy, gracious and merciful God; everything is filled with your glory. We give you thanks for your promise and presence which has sustained the faithful in this and every generation. Above all, we give you thanks for Jesus, born of Mary, who in word and deed announced your gentle rule of justice, reconciliation and peace.

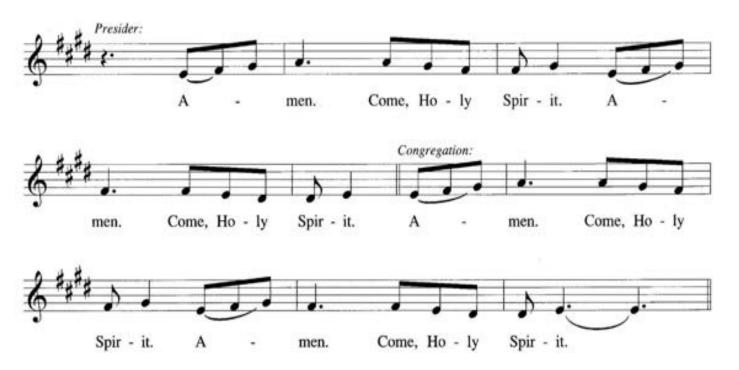
On the night of his betrayal our Lord Jesus took bread and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples saying: Take and eat; this is by body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

After supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: Remembering his command to love one another, his life and death, his resurrection and his ascension, we pray for his coming again, even as we cry:

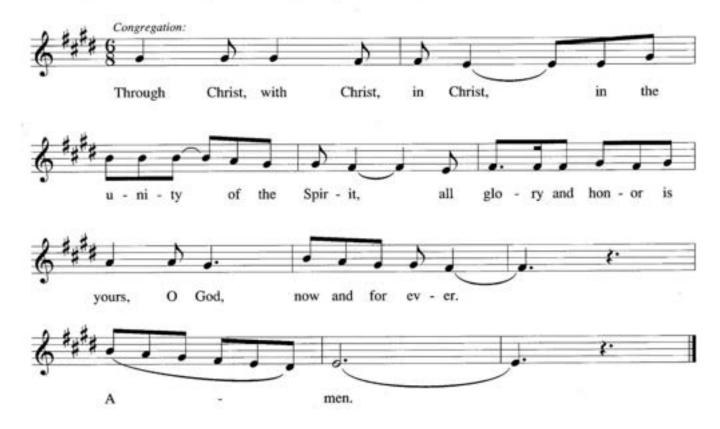


P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that all of your promises may come to us and your whole creation.



P: This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and our friend.

THROUGH CHRIST, WITH CHRIST, IN CHRIST



LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Make us bold, O merciful God, to address you as our Abba as we pray:
- C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, Now and forever. Amen

DISTRIBUTION

We welcome you to the Lord's Table to share the Sacrament of Holy Communion with us. Holy Communion is served with both red wine and white grape juice. It is your choice to receive either one.

Empty cups may be placed in the bowl to the left or right as you return to your seat.

COMMUNION - Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you are the bread of life for us all:

have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you break the chains of hatred and fear:

have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you are the way of justice and peace:

have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you are the way of mercy and love:

have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

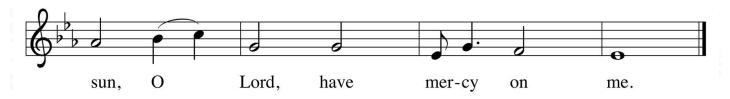
grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN









COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in P: his grace.

C: Amen

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

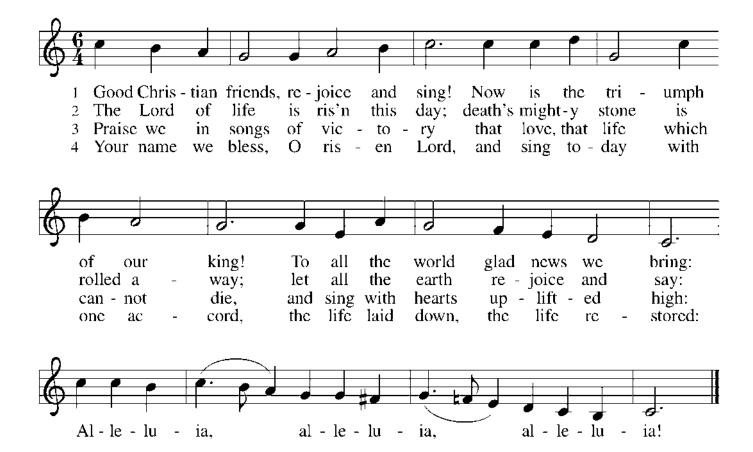
A: Let us pray... Almighty God, source of every blessing, your generous goodness comes to us anew every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

BLESSING - TO BE SUNG BY CHOIR

SENDING HYMN

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!



DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Pinochle

Join us for good times and great card playing on Sunday, April 23rd @ 11:45am. Please bring something to share for lunch. See you there.

Karen Wetzel #541-619-3868.





Hygiene Drive the month of April

What you can donate to help our community!

*Deodorant *Q-Tips *Toothpaste

*Brushes/Combs *Razors *Lotion

*Soap/Body Wash *Floss *Shampoo/Conditioner

Calling all volunteers!!!!!

Our annual garage sale is scheduled for May 12th & 13th so we'll need lots help setting up on the 11th and taking down on the 13th and of course working the sale. If you are interested, please sign-up on the sign-up sheet on the church



bulletin board. Any questions please contact Brenda Black #503-726-6006

Donations cannot be brought in until the week of the sale – starting May 7th



Drive Thru Community Dinner Menu

Served Wednesdays from 5-6:00pm outside of the church kitchen 4/12 – Potato Casserole w/ham, salad/veggie, roll & dessert 4/19 – Turkey Tetrazzini, salad/veggie, roll & dessert 4/26 – Lasagna Casserole, salad/veggie, roll & dessert

Call the church office by Tuesday at noon to reserve your meals #541-926-4875

Spring Craft Fair

Saturday, April 29, 2023 from 9 - 4:30pm Spots are still available. Contact Holly Flom flomzilla@hotmail.com





Weekly Schedule April 9th – April 16th

Today: 8:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast – **MPR**

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Monday: 6:00 p.m. AA

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Wednesday: 5:00 p.m. Drive Thru Community Dinner — Potato Casserole w/ham

Thursday: 6:00 p.m. AA

Friday: 6:00 p.m. AA

Saturday:

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. Bible Study - **Narthex**

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour – MPR

Upcoming Events and Reminders

Administrative Professionals Day
 Craft Fair
 National Day of Prayer
 April 27th
 April 29th
 May 4th

• Annual Garage Sale May 12th & 13th

Mother's Day
 Pentecost
 Memorial Day
 May 28th
 May 29th

The Stone-Moving Power of God

Special effort had been taken to seal up Jesus' tomb. Pilate and the religious authorities had taken great care to make absolutely certain there was no way Jesus' followers could move that stone themselves. They posted armed guards all around.

If they had had the technology back then, we could well imagine that floodlights, security cameras, and an alarm system would have been added to the tomb. But none of that would have mattered. For nothing in heaven or on earth could have stopped the stone-moving power of our God. An angel messenger comes in a brilliant flash to roll that stone away, and then he sits on it to share the good news that Jesus is alive. What had been intended by those who persecuted Jesus as a *period*—a full stop for the Jesus movement—becomes a *pulpit* for proclamation: "Do not be afraid!" (Matthew 28:5). Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

As we remember the story of Jesus' resurrection, we tune our hearts and minds to trust that this God who brings life out of death is still at work. What stones might God be moving today? Might we sense the Spirit at work in our lives here and now, rumbling the ground of our hearts and rolling away the messages of shame, fear, or rejection that have weighed us down? Might God be at work, rolling away stones of oppression and injustice in our world? Might we be sent, like these women, to not let fear rule our hearts, but to go, tell, and witness to a God who continues to open up a new future for us? Yes! The risen Christ appears to us today—present in word, and bread and wine, and water—ready to bless, nourish, call, and send. Nothing can stop this God. Jesus Christ is risen, indeed—Alleluia!