

PREPARATION

Silent Meditation *Jeremiah 31:1-6*

Thus says the LORD: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, the LORD appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merry-makers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit. For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: "Come, let us go up to Zion, to the LORD our God."

Prelude**Greetings and Announcements****Call to Worship (In Unison)**

Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here. He has been raised! Alleluia! Come, with amazement and great joy. Come, with wonder and praise. Let us shout the good news! Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed!

Hymn 236 *The Strife is O'er* **VICTORY**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The strife is o'er, the battle done; the victory of life is won; the song of Triumph has begun. Alleluia!

The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their legions hath dispersed: let shouts of holy joy outburst. Alleluia!

The three sad days are quickly sped; Christ rises glorious from the dead: all glory to our risen Head! Alleluia!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee, from death's dread sting thy servants free, that we may live, and sing to thee: Alleluia!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND PARDON**Unison Prayer of Confession**

Risen Lord, Forgive us for our half-hearted witness. Free us from the bindings of fear or indifference, disappointment or disenchantment. Fill us with the light of the resurrection and send us into the world to

proclaim in word and deed that we have seen the Lord! (Time of Silence)

Assurance of Pardon

Response of Praise No. 581 *Gloria Patri*

A Virtual Exchange of Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you. **P: And also with you.**

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD**Children's Sermon and the Lord's Prayer****Solo—Siri Howard Quinlan****Scripture Reading**

Matthew 28:1-10

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon *Greetings!* *Rev. Vanessa Winters*

***Hymn** *This Easter Celebration* **AURELIA**

This Easter celebration is not like ones we've known. We pray in isolation, we sing the hymns alone. We're distant from our neighbors—from worship leaders, too. No flowers grace the chancel to set a festive mood.

No gathered choirs are singing; no banners lead the way. O God of love and promise, where's joy this Easter day? With sanctuaries empty, may homes become the place we ponder resurrection and celebrate your grace.

Our joy won't come from worship that's in a crowded room but from the news of women who saw the empty tomb. Our joy comes from disciples who ran with haste to see—who heard that Christ is risen, and then, by grace, believed.

In all the grief and suffering, may we remember well: Christ suffered crucifixion and faced the powers of hell. Each Easter bears the promise: Christ rose that glorious day! Now nothing in creation can keep your love away.

We thank you that on Easter, your church is blessed to be a scattered, faithful body that's doing ministry. In homes and in the places of help and healing, too, we live the Easter message by gladly serving you.

Pastoral Prayer**DEDICATION AND RESPONSE****Thanking God through the Offering**

Doxology No. 606 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 232 *Jesus Christ is Risen Today* EASTER HYMN

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, alleluia! Unto Christ our heavenly King, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured. Alleluia! Now above the sky he's King, alleluia! Where angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia! Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

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Easter Plant Dedications

In gratitude for our wonderful church family. By Rev. John & Linda Kloepfer

In loving memory of Elsa Grobler. By the Jornitz Family

In honor of all the healthcare workers. By Kathy & Bob Tureski

Christian Sympathy

We give our deepest Christian sympathy to Betsy McMahon and her entire extended family on the death of her husband and friend of WPC, Frederic McMahon on April 3, 2020.

Birth Announcement

Congratulations to Carol & Joe Nemeth on the birth of their new grandchild, Caroline Olivia Steger on March 30th.

***Prayer Concerns:**

Recent: Clarks and Babis Families; Allison Butler; Russ Babis' niece; Christian Tureski; Deborah Agar, Alix McKenzie's sister in law; Walter Johnson, brother-in-law of Mimi Wood; Sally Hoge; Paul & Ellen Pfaff; The Sagendorf family; Kimberly Rogers Murawski; Dana Barrett, friend of Nancy Miller; Bob Baum, home; Emily Yervasi, daughter of Vinnie & Marie Yervasi; John Comba, Home; George Burns, home; Jay Sears; Rev. Kate Jones-Calone; Kay Kidde; Rev. John Kloepfer
Long Term: Chelsey Carter Collins, Southampton Care Center; Russell Deihl; Brad Carbone; Gene Hubbard, Home

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He is Risen

