



Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020

## GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

Prelude

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"

Greeting

Confession and Assurance

Passing of the Peace

Hymn — See attachment

"This Easter Celebration"

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Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

Hymn #309

"On the day of Resurrection" vs. 1-4,6

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Sermon and Scripture

**Mark 16: 1-8**

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they could go and anoint Jesus' dead body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they came to the tomb. They were saying to each other, "Who's going to roll the stone away from the entrance for us?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away. (And it was a very large stone!) Going into the tomb, they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right side; and they were startled. But he said to them, "Don't be alarmed! You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised. He isn't here. Look, here's the place where they laid him. Go, tell his disciples, especially Peter, that he is going ahead of you into Galilee. You will see him there, just as he told you." Overcome with terror and dread, they fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

## RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

Global Choir of the United Methodist Church  
"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

Blessing

Closing Hymn #308

"Thine be the Glory" vs. 1

# This Easter Celebration

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2020

Aurelia

Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

1. This Eas - ter ce - le - bra - tion is not like ones we've known.  
2. No gath-ered choirs are sing - ing; no ban-ners lead the way.  
3. Our joy won't come from wor - ship that's in a crowd-ed room  
4. In all the grief and suf-fering, may we re-mem-ber well:  
5. We thank you that on Eas - ter, your church is blessed to be

We pray in i - so - la - tion, we sing the hymns a - lone.  
O God of love and prom - ise, where's joy this Eas - ter Day?  
but from the news of wom - en who saw the emp - ty tomb.  
Christ suf - fered cru - ci - fix - ion and faced the powers of hell.  
a scat - tered, faith - ful bo - dy that's do - ing mi - ni - stry.

We're dis - tant from our neigh - bors— from wor - ship lead - ers, too.  
With sanc - tu - a - ries emp - ty, may homes be - come the place  
Our joy comes from di - sci - ples who ran with haste to see—  
Each Eas - ter bears the pro - mise: Christ rose that glo - rious day!  
In homes and in the pla - ces of help and heal - ing, too,

No flo - wers grace the chan - cel to set a fes - tive mood.  
we pon - der re - sur - rec - tion and ce - le - brate your grace.  
who heard that Christ is ris - en, and then, by grace, be - lieved.  
Now no - thing in cre - a - tion can keep your love a - way.  
we live the Eas - ter mes - sage by glad - ly serv - ing you.

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## WEEKLY GPS

GROW

PRAY

STUDY

#### Coming Next:

April 19	You Shall Be My Witnesses	Acts 1: 1-14
April 26	Peter Heals in Jerusalem	Acts 3:1-10
May 3	Church at Thessalonica	Acts 17:1-9

#### SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THE WEEK: Mark 16:6

"Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here."

#### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Mon.	John 20:1-10	Running to the Tomb
Tue.	John 20:11-18	Mary and Jesus
Wed.	Luke 24:13-27	On the Road to Emmaus
Thu.	Luke 24:28-35	Jesus is Known through Broken Bread
Fri.	Luke 24:36-49	Jesus Appears to His Disciples
Sat.	Matthew 28:16-20	The Great Commission

#### CARING CONVERSATIONS or REFLECTIONS

- ◇ **Highs and Lows:** What is one thing that happened today that raised you up? What is one thing that happened today that brought you down?
- ◇ **Thinking About This Week's Story:** The promise of Jesus' resurrection is not just a "someday" promise. Because Jesus has been raised from the dead, we can be encouraged to see resurrection and new life all around us. Each day this week, name one way you saw new life by finishing this phrase: "One way I saw new life today was...". It could be something in nature, in your relationships, or actions.
- ◇ **Getting Ready For Next Week's Story:** What important message or email or phone call did you receive today? Did you have an important message to share with someone today? What was it about?

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**This week's Connections Schedule:**

**Monday 12:00-1:00 — Bible Study**

**Tuesday at 12:00-12:15 — Devotional**

**Wednesday 5:00-6:00 — Youth Zoom**

**Thursday 12:00-12:30 — Prayer**

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