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# Welcome To Worship

May 10, 2020

9:30 a.m.

*Easter tide:*

*"Resist and Begin Again...A Blessed New Normal"*



*Welcome to this time of being with God and each other.*

Preparing To Worship...



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**WELCOME TO THIS CELEBRATION  
OF THE LORD'S DAY**

*Our Eastertide Celebration:  
"Resist and Begin Again...A Blessed New Normal"*



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✧ Welcome and Community News

✧ Readyng Ourselves for Worship

**Surely God is in this place, Holy Ground!  
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Holy Ground!**

✧ Becoming Present to God and Each Other...Our Check-in!

*What once thought dead within you...is being resurrected?*

*Where do you find your thoughts are taking you?*

## ✧ Opening Ourselves to God's Grace

### ✧ Sharing Our Inner Most Lives With God (*Stone and Rock images from our Teachings*)

Lord God, I wonder: Is my faith...*are You* the rock on which I build my life? Or, is it only when I hit rock bottom that I seek You? Holy One, I know *I have* faith but I'm not quite sure it's rock solid at times. I just don't know what to "do" from time to time. How to "be" a "living stone"...as in today's Wisdom Teachings.

You see, I often feel more like a rolling stone, or a boulder stuck on the path, or an insignificant pebble amongst shining jewels, more *than I feel* a living, spiritual stone. I know what it's like to be the stone the builders rejected.

If only I could feel like a cornerstone of something important! ...just once, be important in something important...be kept from stumbling and falling flat on my face! I need to feel powerful and important and able, Lord. Is that wrong?

Help me become a chip off the old rock! ...to be a living stone! Beautify my mind and help me start again! Let my life be a witness to Your ways that I might be one of those cornerstones of the new community and coming world. Help me see myself as precious as a fine jewel so I do not reject...myself! O Lord. You hear my prayer.

## ✧ Bible's Wisdom Teachings

1 Peter 2:1-10, Acts 7:51 - 8:1; *later...*John 14:1-14 told anew!

## ✧ Prompting

*"Rock Solid Faith...Pebbles And All"*

## ✧ A Moment of Personal Reflection...*And Shared Reflections!*



## ✧ Community Prayers: Pastoral Prayer, Lord's Prayer

❖ **To Deepen Our Reflection: The Art of Developing A Beautiful Mind, John Donahue**

The world is not simply there...

Everything and everyone we see, we view through the lenses of our thoughts.

Your mind is where your thoughts arise and form.

It is not simply with your eyes but with your mind that you see the world.

So much depends on your mind:

How you see yourself, who you think you are, how you see others,  
what you think the meaning of life is, how you see death, belief, God, darkness.

Beauty is all determined by the style of mind you have.

Your mind is your greatest treasure.

We become so taken up with the world, with having and doing more and more,  
we come to ignore who we are forget what we see the world with.

*The most powerful way to change your life is to change your mind.*

When you beautify your mind, you beautify your world. You learn to see differently.

In what seemed like dead situations, secret possibilities and invitations

begin to open before you. In old suffering that held you long paralyzed,  
you find new keys. When your mind is awakened, your life comes alive and the creative  
adventure of your soul takes off. Passion and compassion become your new companions.



❖\***Benediction...*Becoming a Living Blessing***

*As we depart into the New Blessed Normal:*

What I take with me today into my resurrected life...is:

What's been prompted is... The stone I put down is...

*To hear Pastor Karen sharing the prompting and respond:  
listen to Tippe Talk podcast...link on our website and Facebook;*

*Respond at [tippetalk@gmail.com](mailto:tippetalk@gmail.com).*

