



"A Community Of Many Faithing Communities Where All Belong!"

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Welcome To Worship

April 4, 2021

9:30 a.m.

*Easter Morning Worship Celebration: "Holy Now!"
...and Holy Communion Together*



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

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Easter

Preparing To Worship...



“Holy Now!”

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✧ Welcome and Community News

Congregation Annual Meeting April 25th right after worship to affirm new officers and celebrate yet another wonder-full year together!

✧ 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:

*How Are You As You Arrive...how is it with your spirit?
Please go find one thing to represent your spirit today.
On cue, we will all hold our items up to the camera as our check-in!*

✧ Gathering as God's People:

Pastor: Holy One...we are so humbled and grateful...for we have been to Jerusalem and now...

All: we move beyond Jerusalem...through the Cross...living into Your New Realm!

Pastor: We embrace a new, yet ancient reality:

We are made resilient in Your love! O Holy One...now is the time!
The only time we have to live the fullness of life...in the *“Holy Now!”*

All: We find ourselves in Joy! And that very *JOY* shapes our journey forward!

✧ Gathering Special Music Video – Joy to the World

[Joy to the World - Christmas Song with Lyrics | QPT - Bing video](#)

✧Bible Wisdom Teachings

The Gospel of Thomas Saying #77

Jesus said: “I am the light which is above them all, I am the all. The all has come forth from me, and all has split open before me. Lift the stone, you will find me there. Split the piece of wood, I am there.”

The Gospel of Thomas Saying #25

Jesus said: “Love your brother or sister like your soul. Guard each of them like the pupil of your eye.”

The Gospel of Thomas Saying #90

Jesus said: “Come to me, for my yoke is easy and my lordship is gentle. And you will find rest for yourselves.”

Matthew 28:1-10

*The Ancients knew that this is His story...not history.
They cared less about what happened and more about what it all means.
The way they chose to tell the story is about creating lasting meaning.
We Moderns...often emphasize the opposite...seeking facts over meaning.
Easter is about making meaning! Hal Tuussig...and Borg and Crosson and Spong!*

✧Prompting

“Holy Now...Finding Joy In The Journey”

“Holy Now...God Wholly Holy Present”

Rev. Karen S. Hagen



✧Special Music Video: “Love God Love People” Danny Gokey

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t-29WLQ3trA>

✧Sharing Our Wisdom

✧ **Affirming Our Faith with Intention...*Our Prayer***

Prayer of Apostle Paul

Beginning of the Letter to Romans in the New, New Testament,
selected verses.

**“Redeem me for I am yours.
You are my mind--birth me.
You are my treasure--open for me.
You are my fullness--receive me.
You are my rest--give me unrestrained maturity.
Give healing to my body and my spirit, and open my mind.
I have trust and hope.
Place upon me Your beloved, chosen, and blessed greatness,
the amazing mystery of Your house.
For Yours is the power and the glory and the praise
and the greatness forever and ever.
Amen.”**

✧ **Community Prayers: Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer**

✧ **Holy Communion** (*Litany by Kenneth Gottman from “Ministry and Mission,” adapted*)

✧ **Preparation of the Table**...please bring your version of “Bread and Wine” to this time.

✧ **Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:**

Pastor:

**The rhythm of life...*for a dweller of the Realm,*
puts Chronos in service of Kairos,
the cyclical in service of the directional,
the calendar in service of the “Realm.”**

All:

**As I submit my anarchy to a rhythm...
in a sort of earthy, mystical way...
all of life lives lucidly, intentionally,
and into the flow of the Divine...
and living “As If” becomes like the air I breathe.**

And so...

**every washing becomes a baptism;
every eating a communion.
every sleeping becomes a dying;
every rising a resurrection.**

**Every day in every way, I am the one I have been waiting for...and the time is
Holy Now! In every moment, I create *Joy* and possibility!**

✧ **Words of Invitation and the Breaking of the Bread**

✧ **Special Easter Communion Music: Be Thou My Vision Audrey Assad**

[Audrey Assad — Be Thou My Vision Official Music Video - Bing video](#)

✧ **Benediction...*Becoming a Living Blessing***

What of this shared wisdom goes with you as helpful and life-giving?

✧ **Our Response ...*Holy One, now we your servants go in peace. Your word lives on in us.***

Hear this service presented on TippeTalk podcast, link on our website & Facebook.