



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

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Welcome To Worship

May 9, 2021... A Rerun from May 6, 2018

9:30 a.m.

Easter Celebrations: No Fooling!



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

As you enter, please use this time to greet friends, welcome newcomers, and join in the spirit of community.

As the music begins, gift yourself a few moments of quiet perhaps becoming present to your own life -- your desires and needs and joys. Perhaps using this photo and reflective question to center yourself.

God rejoices in your coming and meets you this morning in special ways that are meant just for you.

Based upon today's Bible Wisdom Teachings on this day.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday In Easter

Why do we worship? Think on this...

Worship is a human activity, celebrated in the presentness of God...the Sacred, rather than praise required of us by God. And so the "goal" is to help us know (head in our heart) how we relate as individuals to ourselves, others, world, universe.

To celebrate that relationship! To touch sources of creative transformation! To reinterpret our experiences! To reaffirm living in this world which is indeed our sacred and worshipful work to do!



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

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- ✧ **Welcome and Community News**
- ✧ **Readying Ourselves for Worship**

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

**Becoming Present To God And Each Other...Our Check-in:**

*How Are You As You Arrive...how is it with your spirit?*

### **Gathering As God's People**

- ✧ **Becoming Present To God And Each Other**

One: We are Easter people of possibility!

**All: No Fooling! I am Easter possibility...personified!**

One: We gather in a holy place, a divine space...

**All: Where peace is spoken, loving kindness expected!**

One: Where grace is freely shown.

**All: Each is specially known!**

One: Newly we celebrate:

**All: We journey through and beyond Easter.  
We are Easter! We are a blessing to the world!**

*Please stand!*

✧ **Gathering Special Music Video: “Blessing To The World”  
Karen Drucker**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s4V1bMYnGwU>

✧ **Opening Ourselves To God’s Grace**

✧ **Sharing Our Inner Most Lives With God**

*Based upon today’s  
wisdom teachings.*

*In a gentle self-reflective  
voice, let’s read/mumble  
together slowly with  
intention....a personal  
prayer read corporately  
for we are all much more  
alike than we are  
different! We may not  
read in unison as we will  
pause to “Go Deeper”  
for varying lengths of  
time.*

**Lord, You call me a servant invited to be friend. These feel very different to me, almost like they don’t go together. Help me understand, Lord. I am in need of true friendship which will bring me joy! And, in my heart, I do long to serve. Is it in serving I am truly friend?**

*(Take a moment to go deeper...)*

**Lord, my fear is I, too, will get "crucified" if I fully give myself in caring deeply for others...as friend or servant. It sure seems a strong possibility because being friend in serving others, means being fully honest while remaining fully open to someone else’s truth.**

*(Take a moment to go deeper...)*

**Lord, guide me and protect me. Wrap me in the beauty of the earth and hold me in joy that I may be courageous! Show me life-giving ways to be Your friend and so become a friend to others, serving You and them. Tell me what You expect of me today. Affirm what I am to expect of You! This is my beginning prayer...**

✧ **A Moment With God For Each Of Us...**

*You may wish to name with God a joy you feel for God's  
(or another's) friendship in your life; or you may share  
a friendship in need of God's intervention; or you may simply  
invite Jesus to come sit beside you shining his  
healing light all around and through you.*



Let there be some quiet. We will be “stilled” together  
for 5 minutes or so! You have time...go deeper...

### **Held WithIn the Word**

#### **✧Bible’s Wisdom Teachings and Reflection**

**John 15:9-17**

**Psalm 98**

One: This is the way our story is told.

God speaks to us anew through ancient stories.

**All: Thanks be to our God.**

~Slideshow~

#### **✧Prompting**

*“No Fooling!”*

*“Joy’s Got A Lot To Do With It!”*

Pastor Karen Hagen



#### **✧A Moment Of Personal Reflection...**

*Please use space on for your personal reflections!*

#### **✧Special Music Video: “O God Surround Me”**

**Trish Bruxvoort Colligan**

**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RAN-9ZNoT7Y>**

*Feel free to use the space  
offered for your personal  
reflections!*

## Opening to God's Grace

### ✧ Affirming Our Faith With Intention

We are striving to be...  
Relevant and Responsive, Open and Affirming,  
Engaged and Engaging. Informal and Radically Traditional.  
Welcoming All.  
Honoring The Sacred Masculine and The Sacred Feminine,  
Embracing The Mystic Within.  
We Are Of One Spirit...  
not necessarily of one mind.  
Mission bound.  
Educationally engaged.  
Children and Teens show us "the way".  
Elders honored. Visitors Expected.  
Full of gratitude and seeking grace!

### ✧ Celebrating Our New Members:

Jeff Trowbridge, Rosalie Durante, John Risberg

### ✧ Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

✧ Giving Thanks For Our Community...  
Our Sustaining Gifts!

## Sending Forth With Blessing

### ✧ \*Benediction

*...Our Affirmation and Invitation  
to Become 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!*

## Opening Ourselves to God's Grace

**One:** Easter invites us to a life of conscious choice knowing we are loved! And, if we will choose differently....everything becomes different. Yet, nothing changes...unless we change. And we can change....our attitudes, our routines, and so, our very lives.

As we worship, as we hear the Word spoken and preached, we are prompted to think in new ways about God, the world, and ourselves. This newness, this response to God's nudging, is God's invitation to begin newly Easter lives and let God in to our daily choices and reflections.

Each with our own beloved story, shaped anew by our Holy Story,  
**Let us in our common voice,** lift our prayers out loud to our God  
as we use the reflection on Page 4 to guide us.



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### **Tippe-Ministers**

*All are ministers every day in every way in the world.*

#### **Today in Leadership**

Pastor..... Karen Hagen  
Director of Music Ministry ..... MaryBeth Garrett  
Ministry Support Associate..... Crystal Stinemates  
Facility Host..... Margaret Majewski & Jay Paske  
Worship Leader..... Diane Wirhanowicz  
Worship Hosts.....  
Nursery Care ..... Natalia and Community  
Director of *Living Waters* ..... Pastor Karen  
*Living Waters* Staff  
Pastor Karen, Diane, Jane, Tami & Donna

#### **Next Sunday in Leadership**

Pastor..... Karen Hagen  
Director of Music Ministry. .... MaryBeth Garrett  
Ministry Support Associate..... Crystal Stinemates  
Facility Host ..... Margaret Majewski & Jay Paske  
Worship Leader..... Carol Meverdan  
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