# Virtual Worship Easter Sunday April 17, 2022

#### Call to Worship:

May we come with our hearts open to God's love! May our hearts be lifted up in glorious song for the signs of new life all around us. In seeds and buds, in smiles and joy, we discover God's never-ending life and we proclaim aloud: **Christ is Risen! Risen Indeed! Alleluia! Amen! Thank you, Jesus.** 

Song "Light of a Clear Blue Morning"

### Unison Prayer:

Today we give a shout of joy! The tomb could not contain him, God's offspring, life's child. The tomb is Easter's empty surprise as the grip of death has passed away. The women discovered surprise at the tomb and proclaimed "He is Risen"! Together we bring our joyful alleluias to this place today! Amen.

<u>Prayer of Thanksgiving</u>: Marvelous God, in your bountiful love, by the breath of your Spirit, you created the world and all that lives within it. By your mercy you re-create both the earth and our hearts in this new season of life. On this Easter day, we hear your voice, we accept your love, we give you thanks. In joy we declare your risen presence, and our gift of new life. Amen

(Sharing other Joys and Concerns: please take a moment to lift your joys and concerns to God this day....)

SILENT PRAYER TIME

#### The 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 tempation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

"Hymn of Promise"

## **Scripture Reading:** Luke 24: 1-12

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3 but when they went in, they did not find the body. 4 While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two angels in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the angels said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. <sup>6</sup> Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of mortals must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." 8 Then they remembered his words, 9 and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup> Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup> But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup> But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

# **Children's Time:**

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" TUMC Praise Team

Reflection: Rev. Amy Overton-Harris

Arise Paul Baloche

### **Benediction:**

The Risen Savior shines upon you us all. Let our lives resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of all God's people! AMEN! AMEN!

Sending Song "Benediction" (Maeve)

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