



Know that you do not wait alone.  
God has given us one another for this journey of faith, to help one another.  
Know that you do not wait alone; Christ is with us.  
Be encouraged, and encourage one another.  
Trust in the Good News. Amen.

#### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you and all others!**

HYMN 250

“In the Bulb There Is a Flower”

PROMISE

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & SILENT PRAYER

### Equipping

#### GOSPEL LESSON

The Gospel of John 20:19-31

Jaylee Soule

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

#### ANTHEM

“Do You Know He’s Arisen?”

by Dianne & Terry Randolph

Chancel Ensemble – Daniel Cole, djembe

*Do you know he’s arisen? Jesus is arisen from the dead!*

*Angel rolled away the stone Mary looked in; the Lord was gone.  
Ran to tell what he had done. Jesus is arisen from the dead!  
Two walked on Emmaus road soon appeared the risen Lord.  
From him truth like fire they heard. Jesus is arisen from the dead!  
Peter, if your love is deep, feed my lambs and feed my sheep.  
Your path will be long and steep. Jesus is arisen from the dead.  
Do you know he's arisen? Yes, I know! Jesus is arisen from the dead.  
Tell the world he's arisen. Yes, I will! Jesus is arisen from the dead!*

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON      The Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 22-32

<sup>14a</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them,  
<sup>22</sup>“You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know — <sup>23</sup>this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. <sup>24</sup>But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. <sup>25</sup>For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,  
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;  
<sup>26</sup> therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;  
moreover my flesh will live in hope.  
<sup>27</sup> For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,  
or let your Holy One experience corruption.  
<sup>28</sup> You have made known to me the ways of life;  
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

<sup>29</sup>“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. <sup>30</sup>Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup>Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,  
nor did his flesh experience corruption.’  
<sup>32</sup>This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words.  
**Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

“Can I Get A Witness?”

Rev. Mitch Trigger

Sending

A CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

HYMN 251 (v. 1 – 4)

“Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia”

TANZANIAN MELODY

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Linda Dover, organist

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