

***Driftless Ministries***

**March 31, 2024**

**Easter Sunday**

PRELUDE Marla Withey (RET), Tom Baker (RET/NH), Janna Thew (LP)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF PREPARATION:

**Holy Lord Jesus, on this day we rejoice in your glory and stand in awe of how you have transformed this world with your dying and your rising. Receive our joyful praise. Alleluia! Amen.**

HYMN #302

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

CALL TO WHORSHIP:

L: Christ is risen.

**P: Christ is risen, indeed.**

L: God is alive.

**P: New birth is given.**

L: Hope is alive.

**P: A new age is dawning.**

L: Joy is alive.

**P: Redemption is here.**

L: Love is alive.

**P: Death cannot harm us.**

L: We are alive.

**P: New life is within us.**

L: The church is alive.

**P: God's spirit is within us.**

L: God of life, we worship you.

**P: God of creation, we praise you.**

L: God of revelation, we learn from you.

**P: God of resurrection, we come to celebrate you.**

OPENING PRAYER:

**Living Lord, when we stand before the empty tomb we don't always feel the joy of resurrection. We feel fear, doubt, and distrust. We feel empty.**

**Forgive the fear that paralyzes us at the brink of new life. Forgive our doubt of your love.**

**Forgive our distrust of your surprising, joyous plan.**

**Fill our emptiness with your glorious light. Raise us to abundant new life for the glory of your name. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 16:1-8

HYMN #70

GLORIA PATRI

MESSAGE

That's the Ending?

Rev. Drew Filkins

MUSICAL REFLECTION

OUR CONCERNS AND PRAISES

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen**

HYMN #322

Up from the Grace He Arose

BENEDICTION

*HYMN TO TAKE WITH YOU*

HYMN #672

*God Be With You Til We Meet Again*

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### **ON THE CALENDAR**

**Today: Resurrection Sunday/Easter**

**Wednesday: Wednesday Warriors, 3:15 pm @ New Hope  
Food Pantry Open, 5 – 6:30 pm @ New Hope**

**Thursday: Food Pantry Open, 9-11 am @ New Hope**

**Sunday: Communion Sunday  
Fellowship Time, 9 am @ Retreat**

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