04-17-22 FOR THE JOURNEY THIS WEEK

"...the light and life of Easter invite us to see all that is still of death in our world—not just in our individual hearts, but in our community and in our world. We give witness to new possibilities and new hope because of Easter. We give witness to the end of hate, the end of war, the end of division, and the end of injustice. Because of Easter, we are witnesses to a new kin-dom—because God raised Jesus from the dead."

- Derek Weber

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Acts 10:34-44 🕆 1 Corinthians 15:12-22 🕆 Luke 24:1-12

Questions for Reflection —

- What aspects of your life are in need of rejuvenation and renewal? What new ways of seeing and new ways of being have you discovered this Easter? What within the life of our congregation is in need of transformation or renewal? How might a call to new life and new living manifest itself in the programs and ministries of our congregation? What do you think would enable us to respond to such a call?
- Where in your life do you see signs of new growth and new life? What do you need in order nurture that growth to its full potential? Is there something else that needs to die in order for that growth to happen? What signs of new life do you see in our congregation? In the surrounding community? How can we as a congregation help to nurture those things with renewed passion and purpose?
- How does the Easter message affect your daily life? What does it look like for you to witness to the Resurrection in your daily interactions and activities? How do you live into Easter hope and joy? What does it look like for a congregation to live as Easter people? How can we as a congregation bear witness to God's new kin-dom birthed in the Resurrection?

Daily Household Prayer

God of life, through Jesus Christ you have bestowed upon the world the light of life. Sanctify this new fire, and grant that our hearts and minds may also be kindled with holy desire to shine forth with the brightness of Christ's rising, that we may attain to the feast of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ. Amen.