04-24-22 FOR THE JOURNEY THIS WEEK

"Jesus blesses those who have not seen and yet believe. How do they come to believe? Through the testimony of the disciples who are sent as Jesus was sent, and through the books written about him. These believers who have not seen become witnesses themselves...Our most faithful witness to the wounded Giver of Life is our own life-giving deeds."

- David Rensberger

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John 20:19-31

Questions for Reflection —

- In what ways do you identify with Thomas? How are faith and doubt juxtaposed in your life? What questions do you have about the life of Christian discipleship? What does it look like to bring your doubts and struggles to Jesus in prayer? How can we as a congregation support one another through cycles of faith and doubt?
- How did you come to faith in Jesus? On what is your faith presently based? How has the pandemic impacted your faith journey? How has your faith been challenged? How has it grown and changed? What strengthens and nurtures your faith?
- By what life-giving deeds do you witness to your faith in Jesus? In what ways are you called to continue the mission of Jesus in the world? What does it look like for you to bring love, light, and truth to those around you? How do you share Christ's peace with others?

Daily Household Prayer

Almighty God, through your only son you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. Grant that we who celebrate our Christ's resurrection, by the renewing of our Spirit, arise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through the same Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.