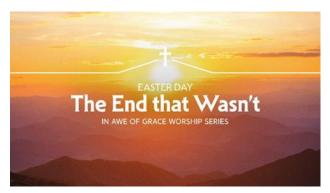
#### Welcome to Grace United Methodist Church!!

Sunday – April 9, 2023 – 9:00 am Easter Sunday



<u>Meditation Verse</u>: "Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me." – Matthew 28:10

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## **Order of Worship**

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship:

Leader: The dark night is behind us; the morning light

erased all darkness and doubt.

People: All that remains is the empty tomb and the wrappings of pain and death.

Leader: The Lord has risen; he's no longer among the dead.

People: He lives. The Lord has risen!

Leader: Yes, the Lord lives! The new morning fills our hearts

with joy and hope.

People: Let us then worship together, extinguishing all doubt and fear with joyful songs and an unbreakable faith in our Redeemer.

\*Hymn #302 – Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Scripture: Matthew 28:1-10

\*Hymn #322 – Up from the Grave He Arose

Kids Special Music – "It's a Happy Day"

Kids Message

Message: "The End That Wasn't"

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

- Song: You Are My All in All

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Announcements

<sup>\*</sup>Passing of the Peace

# \*Closing Songs:

- In Christ Alone
- My Redeemer Lives

### \*Blessing

\*Please stand as you led and as you are able.\*

## GPS - Grow, Pray, Study

- 1) *Grow.* How do you think finding the tomb empty and seeing the risen Christ affected Mary and Mary's faith? How does the resurrection impact your faith?
- 2) *Pray.* People we know are lost and hurting and broken. Pray that the Spirit will lead and guide you to share the living hope of Christ with someone this week.
- 3) *Study.* Read Matthew 28:16-20. Here in Galilee the resurrected Jesus is reunited with his disciples. What message do you take out of what he said to them?

### Next Week's Lectionary Readings:

Acts 2:14a, 22-32 Psalm 16 1 Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31 To go a little deeper with these readings each day this week, please go to: pastorjohnb.org

Next Sunday's Message: "Fullness of Joy" - The early church wondered if they should go underground, if they should try to blend in. Peter, the disciple and author, certainly played it safe when the fire came close to his own skin. He has wrestled with these questions. Peter has also experienced a new birth through Jesus. That is the hope in his heart and the hope and love that he seeks to share with us. It is our living hope, our cause for joy.

### This Week at Grace:

- Monday 3:00 PM After School Program
- Tuesday 3:00 PM Art with Heart
- Tuesday 6:00 PM Grief Support Group
- Friday 6:30 AM Women's Study Fellowship Hall

#### **Announcements:**

Our April Mission of the Month is "Teacher Appreciation." Please grab a card and write a quick note. Also, thank you for your financial support (to buy gift cards.)

Please consider signing up to serve on a Sunday morning. Simply choose a Sunday that is convenient for you and sign up on the sheets opposite the drinking fountains! Thank you for serving.

May God Bless you throughout the coming week!!