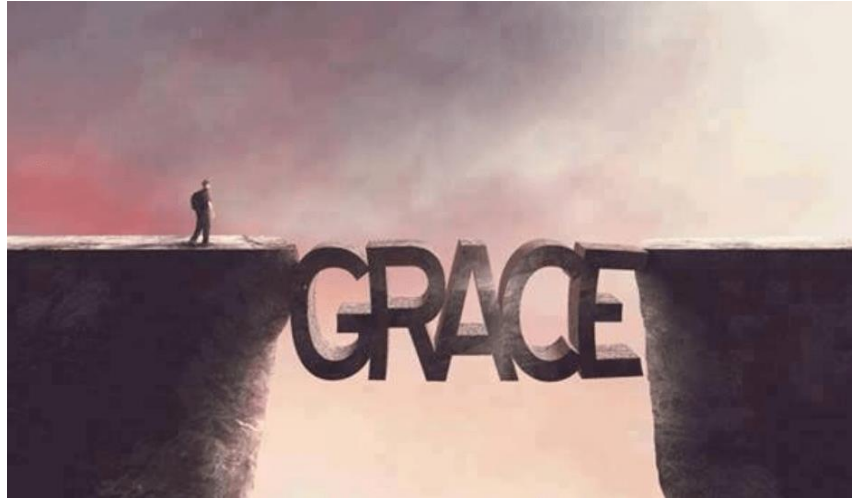


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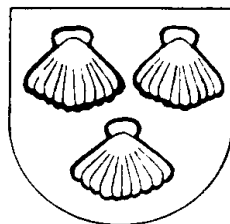
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**“Trust and Grace”**

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Marriottsville, MD

# WE GATHER

## Prelude

"Easter Alleluia" (based on hymn UMH 62) arr. by Alec Rowley

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## Welcome

**Rev. Patricia Abell**

## Introit

"We Are God's People" (vs. 1 & 2) TFWS 2220

**Chancel Choir**

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## Call to Worship

**Jim Quindlen**

ONE: O Lord our God, we praise you.

**ALL: We cried to you for help and you answered us.**

ONE: You have restored our lives;

**ALL: you have rescued us from the grave.**

## Opening Prayer

**Jim Quindlen**

**Living Lord, you meet us in unexpected places and surprise us with the abundance of your love. Feed us by your Word and fill us with your Spirit so that we may follow you this day, and always; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.**

## Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

**Jim Quindlen**

**ALL: God of mercy, your command to love one another across all differences opens us to new horizons. Yet we often respond with fear and judgment that hinders your goal for humanity. Forgive our sins, we pray, and give us a true repentance that leads to life for all creation. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Liturgist: The one who loves us and frees us will not leave us in despair and doubt, but will fill us with all joy and conviction. Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven!

**ALL: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven. Alleluia!**

The Peace of Christ be with you!

**And also with you!**

## Opening Hymn

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

**UMH 62**

1. All creatures of our God and King  
Lift up your voice and with us sing  
Alleluia alleluia

2. O brother wind air clouds and rain  
By which all creatures ye sustain  
O praise ye Alleluia

Thou burning sun with golden beam  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam  
O praise Him O praise Him  
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Thou rising morn in praise rejoice  
Ye lights of evening find a voice  
O praise Him O praise Him  
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

3. O sister water, flowing clear,  
make music for thy Lord to hear,  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
O brother fire who lights the night,  
providing warmth, enhancing sight,  
O praise ye! O praise ye!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

4. Dear mother earth who day by day  
Unfoldest blessings on our way  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow  
Let them God's glory also show  
O praise ye! O praise ye!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

5. All ye who are of tender heart,  
forgiving others, take your part,  
O praise ye! Alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
praise God and on him cast your care!  
O praise ye! O praise ye!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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## Children's Moment

*Debra Bostron*

## Scripture

**Acts 11:1-18 (CEB)**

*Jim Quindlen*

The apostles and the brothers and sisters throughout Judea heard that even the Gentiles had welcomed God's word. <sup>2</sup>When Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him. <sup>3</sup>They accused him, "You went into the home of the uncircumcised and ate with them!"

<sup>4</sup>Step-by-step, Peter explained what had happened. <sup>5</sup>"I was in the city of Joppa praying when I had a visionary experience. In my vision, I saw something like a large linen sheet being lowered from heaven by its four corners. It came all the way down to me. <sup>6</sup>As I stared at it, wondering what it was, I saw four-legged animals—including wild beasts—as well as reptiles and wild birds. <sup>7</sup>I heard a voice say, 'Get up, Peter! Kill and eat!' <sup>8</sup>I responded, 'Absolutely not, Lord! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' <sup>9</sup>The voice from heaven spoke a second time, 'Never consider unclean what God has made pure.' <sup>10</sup>This happened three times, then everything was pulled back into heaven. <sup>11</sup>At that moment three men who had been sent to me from Caesarea arrived at the house where we were staying. <sup>12</sup>The Spirit told me to go with them even though they were Gentiles. These six brothers also went with me, and we entered that man's house. <sup>13</sup>He reported to us how he had seen an angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and summon Simon, who is known as Peter. <sup>14</sup>He will tell you how you and your entire household can be saved.' <sup>15</sup>When I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them, just as the Spirit fell on us in the beginning. <sup>16</sup>I remembered the Lord's words: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>17</sup>If God gave them the same gift he gave us who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, then who am I? Could I stand in God's way?"

<sup>18</sup>Once the apostles and other believers heard this, they calmed down. They praised God and concluded, "So then God has enabled Gentiles to change their hearts and lives so that they might have new life."

## Scripture

## John 21:1-14 (CEB)

Later, Jesus himself appeared again to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. This is how it happened: <sup>2</sup> Simon Peter, Thomas (called Didymus<sup>[a]</sup>), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two other disciples were together. <sup>3</sup> Simon Peter told them, "I'm going fishing."

They said, "We'll go with you." They set out in a boat, but throughout the night they caught nothing. <sup>4</sup> Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples didn't realize it was Jesus.

<sup>5</sup> Jesus called to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?"

They answered him, "No."

<sup>6</sup> He said, "Cast your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some."

So they did, and there were so many fish that they couldn't haul in the net. <sup>7</sup> Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It's the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard it was the Lord, he wrapped his coat around himself (for he was naked) and jumped into the water. <sup>8</sup> The other disciples followed in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they weren't far from shore, only about one hundred yards.

<sup>9</sup> When they landed, they saw a fire there, with fish on it, and some bread. <sup>10</sup> Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you've just caught." <sup>11</sup> Simon Peter got up and pulled the net to shore. It was full of large fish, one hundred fifty-three of them. Yet the net hadn't torn, even with so many fish. <sup>12</sup> Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples could bring themselves to ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup> Jesus came, took the bread, and gave it to them. He did the same with the fish. <sup>14</sup> This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

## Anthem

"Sharing the Love"

*Chancel Choir*

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## Message

"Trust and Grace"

*Rev. Patricia Abell*

## Blessing of the Stole for Rev. Dr. Lynne Humphries-Russ

## Prayer for God's People, Church, & World

**Response:** O Lord our God, **we cry to you for help.**

## Lord's Prayer

## Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*UMH 94*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise God all creatures here below  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God the source of all our gifts  
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts

Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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**Offering Prayer**

**Closing Hymn**

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

**UMH 384**

1. Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heaven, to earth come down;  
fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
all thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation;  
enter every trembling heart.

2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit  
into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in thee inherit;  
Let us find that second rest.  
Take away our bent to sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
end of faith, as its beginning,  
Set our hearts at liberty.

3. Come Almighty to deliver  
Let us all Thy grace receive  
Suddenly return and never  
Never more Thy temples leave  
Thee we would be always blessing  
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above  
Pray and praise Thee without ceasing  
Glory in Thy perfect love

4. Finish then Thy new creation  
Pure and spotless let us be  
Let us see Thy great salvation  
Perfectly restored in Thee  
Changed from glory into glory  
Till in heaven we take our place  
Till we cast our crowns before Thee  
Lost in wonder love and praise

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**Benediction**

**Postlude**

"Easter" ( A Fantasy based on 3 Easter Chants) Kenneth Lowenberg

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### **Questions for Reflection**

Jesus chose Peter, who had denied him in his hour of need, to tend his sheep and build his church.  
He chose Paul, who had persecuted Jesus' followers, to proclaim the good news of the gospel.  
Can anything separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ?  
What has Jesus chosen and called you to do?

### **Household Prayer: Morning**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
as you met your disciples just after daybreak on the beach,  
meet us at the dawning of this new day.  
As you filled their nets with fish,  
fill our lives with love and grace, more than we can ask or imagine.  
In your holy name we pray. Amen. Amen.

### **Household Prayer: Evening**

Gracious God, we praise you  
for the blessing of this day and the promise of tomorrow.  
Be our helper as the night falls and our joy when the morning comes;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Amen.

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