

**Sunday, May 1, 2022**  
**Easter Three**

**Welcome**

***Gathering: VU 559 Come, O Fount of Every Blessing***

**Candle Lighting**

**Jesus said "I am the way, the truth, the light. Those who follow me will never walk in darkness, but will walk in the light of life."**

**Call to Worship**

From the shores of our lives, Jesus calls us into the celebration of worship. **Let us worship our God.** From the edge of our worries and concerns, Jesus calls us into hope. **Let us claim the hope in Christ Jesus.** From the shallow places in our hearts, Jesus calls us into the depths of his love. **Let us celebrate the gift of his love.** From the breaking waves of sadness in our lives, Jesus calls us into joy. **Let us renew our spirits in his joy.** From the rising tides of our conflicts, Jesus calls us onto the shores of peace. **Let us rest in his peace.** Let us celebrate the love of God and receive the blessings of Christ Jesus. **Let us worship God.**

*\*Ubi caritas et amor, ubi caritas Deus ibi est. Where there is charity, selfless love. Where there is charity, God is truly there (MV 170)*

**Opening Prayer**

**God of resurrection, we come before you today and seek to be transformed. May the Holy Spirit move us to be a force for change in today's world. May your love renew us and help us be a part of the important work of restoration, in this community and in the world. Amen**

***Hymn: VU 371 Open My Eyes, That I May See***

**Prayers for Grace and Transformation/  
Words of Affirmation**

**We receive the gracious love of God. We are made whole in God's presence. We welcome all into God's community of love as we say thanks be to God! Amen**

**The Peace**

**Exegesis and Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture**

**Psalm 30, VU page 757**

**Acts 9: 1-6 (7-20)**

**John 21: 1-19**

***\*Celtic Alleluia***

**Reflection**

***Hymn: VU 372 Though I May Speak***

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory Prayer + Doxology VU 541**

**Announcements:**

**Holy Communion (see insert)**

**Prayers of the people/Lord's Prayer**

***\*Put peace into each other's hands with loving expectation; be gentle in your words and ways, in touch with God's creation. (MV 173 vs2)***

**Extinguish the Candle**

**Blessing/Commissioning**

***Closing Hymn: VU 626 I Heard the Voice of Jesus***

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