

SouthWest United Church

April 24, 2022

Second Sunday of Easter

Welcome

Gathering Hymn: VU 374 Come and Find the Quiet Center

Candle

In darkness, **there is light.**

In sadness, **there is hope.**

In death, **there is light, love and life everlasting!**

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Call to worship

Peace to you this day, as you come through open doors.

God's peace to you. Peace to you who hide behind locked doors. **The Sons' peace to you.**

Peace to you who come with more doubt than faith. **Spirit's peace to you.** Peace to you who seek the path to life. **We come, trusting in God's goodness and grace.**

* MV 40 Never Ending Joy

Opening prayer

God of new life, as we continue to reflect on the happenings of Easter, renew our joy and trust in you; encourage our faith so that, although we do not see you, we are able to believe and rejoice in you. Amen

Hymn: VU 579 The Church is Wherever God's People

Prayer of confession

Words of Assurance

People of God, fearful and faithful, doubting and dutiful, the Holy Spirit of God breathes life, healing and forgiveness into us. Receive God's peace and wholeness.

In trust and joy, we receive God's peace. Amen.

The Peace May the peace of the lord be with you!

Prayer before Scripture

Psalm 118:14–29

Revelation 1:4–8

John 20:19–31

***Celtic Alleluia!**

Reflection

Hymns to Inspire

Invitation to the Offering

Prayer of Dedication + Doxology VU 541

Announcements

Prayers of Hope/Lord's Prayer

*** MV 95 How Deep the Peace**

Blessing

As we continue our lives and our worship this week, we go ready to pay attention to what is around us, to listen when we need to hear, to speak with courage and kindness and justice. We go with God. Amen

Benediction

Closing Hymn: VU 713 I See A New Heaven

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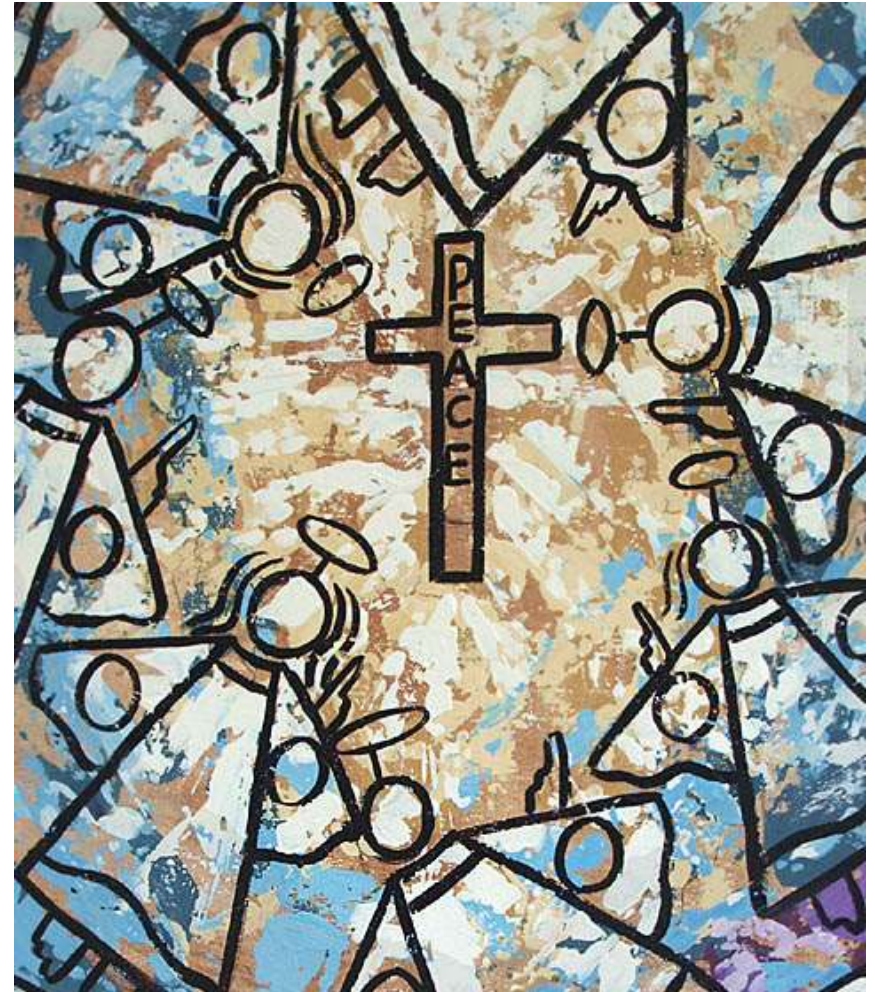
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Do you believe because you see me? How happy are those who believe without seeing me!

- John 20:29