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# **resurrection**

**The Story of Saul & Ananias**

**MAY 15, 2022**

**INVITE**

**Prelude**

**Grounding Moment**

**Welcome & Announcements**

## **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

Sisters and brothers, we gather beside an empty cross and an open grave. Let us confess our sins to God and one another, and hear together God's promise.

God of life, we're scared by death.

**SAVE US FROM DESPAIR. GIVE US HOPE.**

God of love, we're not generous with grace.

**SAVE US FROM BITTERNESS. GIVE US JOY.**

God of freedom, we prefer our borders and boxes.

**SAVE US FROM HATE. GIVE US NEW HEARTS.**

God of peace, we seek security in power.

**SAVE US FROM CRUELTY.**

**GIVE US THE STRENGTH OF YOUR LOVE.**

Hear this word of grace, my friends ... AMEN

### **Prayer of the Day**

God of new beginnings, you are constantly at work bringing life out of death. Show us the places in our lives where we are serving despair and not hope. Remove the scales from our eyes and clear the path so that we might live by the terms of resurrection. Amen.

**HYMN** *Here in this place* HWB 6

**Lighting the Peace Lamp – Readings from FMC Senior Youth Peace Essays through the years**

## **IMAGINE**

**HYMN** *Take, O take me as I am – repeated as a prayer* STJ 81

Children's Time

Scripture Reading

*Acts 9:1-19a*

Sermon

*There was a disciple...*

## **PRAY**

Music for Meditation

Prayers of the People (with Lord's Prayer)

*& Litany of Commitment and Appreciation (see back)*

## **LITANY OF COMMITMENT & APPRECIATION**

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

**WE WILL LOVE THE LORD OUR GOD**

**WITH ALL OUR HEART, ALL OUR SOUL, ALL OUR MIND.**

We will keep God's word in our heart. The Word of the Lord will be recited to the children, and to the youth, and to the adults.

**WE WILL REMIND AND ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER  
TO STUDY GOD'S WORD.**

**WE WILL SHARE WITH EACH OTHER**

**HOW GOD HAS WALKED WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY.**

We will kindle the faith of the congregation with words of affirmation, challenge, and love.

**WE ARE GOD'S WORK OF ART – EACH ONE OF US!**

**LIKE STAINED GLASS**

**WE WILL LET GOD'S LOVE SHINE THROUGH US,  
REFLECTING THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST.**

This morning we especially give thanks for those  
sharing God's love and the good news of Jesus Christ  
with our children and youth:

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS, YOUTH SPONSORS, MENTORS, AND NURSERY CARE  
PROVIDERS.**

Together we will let the Holy Spirit use our lives to proclaim God's story. Together we will listen and become  
quiet before God.

**TOGETHER WE WILL TELL OF ALL GOD'S  
WONDERFUL AND GLORIOUS DEEDS. \***

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## **RETURN**

**HYMN** *Thuma mina* HWB 434

**Benediction**

**Postlude** *remain seated to receive the postlude as a musical blessing. Fellowship time follows worship, Sunday School  
classes begin at 11:00am*

**Easter Season worship resources:** created by WorshipWell, adapted for our use.

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**\*Litany of Appreciation:** adapted from #306 in Words for Worship 2. Edited by Diane Zaerr Brenneman. Herald Press 2009

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Pianist: Shelley Kauffman

Worship Leader & Scripture Reader: Delon Martens

Children's Time: Lona Willems

Peace Lamp & Sermon: Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger

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# **WELCOME!!**

*We are so glad you are here!*



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