

# Worship Guide April 23, 8:15 & 10:35

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

10:35 Acolytes: Will Samuels and Andrea Carlson

Lay Reader: Kurt Cooper

Pastors: Jeannie Jensen and Christine Potter

Gathering Music *He Is Lord* #177 UMH  
Welcome and Greeting One Another  
Sharing Opportunities for Ministry  
Prelude and Lighting the Candles

### \*Call to Worship

*One: Though darkness seems to envelop us, Jesus breaks through with a word of peace.*

**Many: Fears are banished! Hope is restored!**

*One: Rejoice! The Lord is with us!*

**Many: We rejoice in the peace and blessings he brings.**

\*Song of Praise *Easter People, Raise Your Voices* #304 UMH

### Prayer of Confession

**We listen to the news, read the newspapers, and wonder if peace will ever reign in your world, Lord. Today we have been invited to be with the disciples in that hidden place where they also wondered about peace and hope. You broke through. You shattered the darkness and they were astonished again. Help us to understand that you will bring peace to each one of us. Forgive all those times when we treat this moment of revelation as though it was impossible. Give us the courage to reach out to you and touch our hearts once again. In the name of Jesus, our Savior, we pray. Amen.**

*Words of Assurance: Open your hearts and ears, beloved people of God. You are loved, forgiven and chosen to be called disciples. Be at peace!*

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

The Reading from the New Testament 1 Peter 1:3-9  
Ministry of Music Sanctuary Choir  
Children's Message (10:35 only)  
Silent Prayers...Pastoral Prayer...Lord's Prayer #895 UMH  
Congregational Choral Response *Alleluia...* #186 UMH  
Song of Preparation *Let It Breathe on Me* #503 UMH  
Scripture John 20:19-31  
Sermon *Peace* Jeannie Jensen

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Responding in Gratitude for God's Gifts with our Offerings

Offertory Music –

\* The Doxology #94 UMH

\*Prayer of Dedication

*One: Generous God, we thank you for the many blessings which you have poured into our lives.*

**Many: Now we ask your blessing on these gifts that they may be used to your glory. Amen.**

## WE GO OUT INTO GOD'S WORLD

\*Song of Commitment *Breathe n Me, Breath of God* #420 UMH  
\*Benediction  
\*Sending Forth *Halle, Halle, Halleluja* #2026 TFWS  
\*Postlude