

Welcome and Announcements

**O Awesome God, with gladness and thanksgiving, we gather from afar but together today. We celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ as a symbol of your love and sign of your grace. On this Resurrection Sunday, we are reminded that you have all power over the circumstance in our own lives that may bind us and limit our peace. O God, you answer even before we call. You hear us while we are yet speaking. May all that we say, hear, and do in this space give honor to your name for the marvelous things you have done in Jesus Christ and in us. We give you thanks in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Adapted from the UCC book of worship

**Hymn      Christ the Lord is Risen Today      Charles Wesley**

Joys and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer

Morning Has Broken      Cat Stevens

Scripture Mark 16:1-8 (NRSV)

The Resurrection of Jesus

**16** When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup> And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup> They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" <sup>4</sup> When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup> As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup> But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." <sup>8</sup> So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

"Fear and Resurrection"

**Closing Hymn   Christ Has Risen      John Bell**