Prelude

Greeting/Announcements

Hymn "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!"....... 128 LBW Kyrie pg. 78 LBW Hymn of Praise "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" 672 WOV

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, we have received with great joy the proclamation of Jesus' resurrection on Easter. Yet, as sinners in a sinful world, our doubts and fears persist. Breathe on us the power of your Holy Spirit to increase our faith, quell our doubts and fears, and grant us your peace and presence through the wounded hands of Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

First Reading Isaiah 43:16-21 Second Reading Revelation 1:4-18 Faith Seeds Penny Stuber Faith Seeds is a time for children of all ages to come forward for a lesson geared to them.

The Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, Alleluia,"

Response after the Gospel "Praise to You, O Christ" Sermon "The Testimony of Thomas" Pastor Scott Grorud Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from

Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Offering

Offertory Response

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

Closing Hymn .. "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" .. 143 LBW

"What Does This Mean?"

Questions about Today's Worship Theme: John 20:19-31

- **†** Why is it *not* surprising that Thomas did not believe that Jesus had risen from the dead?
- † What was it that finally convinced Thomas and the other disciples that Jesus' resurrection was real?
- † In what ways is Jesus' resurrection still "a new thing" after so many years?
- How can Thomas' testimony strengthen our faith still today?

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