

**THE WORD OF GOD**  
(Sunday Take-home Insert – Easter Sunday IRCL)

**Collect**

*Presider:* There is one Body and one Spirit;  
*Assembly:* **There is one hope in God’s call to us;**  
*Presider:* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
*Assembly:* **One God and Father of all.**  
*Presider:* The Lord is with you.  
*Assembly:* **And also with you.**  
*Presider:* Let us pray together

In water are we conceived.  
In water are we knit together in the Spirit.  
Through the breaking of water are we born.  
Through the drinking of water are we nourished.  
You, O God, *are* the living water:  
wash over us, again and again and again,  
that in Christ we might live as your daughters and sons,  
and that with Christ as our heart  
we might respect the dignity of every human being. Amen.

*A period of silence for reflection follows each lesson and the sermon. Allow your attention to drop in and down and rest upon your breath. When distractions arise – such as thoughts and sounds and smells – simply notice and return to the breath.*

**Hebrew Scriptures**

**Jeremiah 31.1-6**

*Reader:* A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

“When that time comes, says YHWH, I will be the God of all the tribes of Israel. And they will be my people.

“Thus says YHWH:  
The people who survive the sword  
will find forgiveness in the desert.  
I will come to give rest to Israel.  
They’ll say, ‘YHWH appeared to us in the past, and said,  
“In everlasting love I conceived you.”’  
And now I will continue  
to show my love for you.  
I will build you up again,  
and you will stand firm, Beloved Israel.  
You will take up your tambourines once more  
and go forth with the crowd of merrymakers.  
Once again you will plant vineyards  
on Samaria’s mountainsides.

The planters will plant  
and will enjoy the fruit.  
For the day will come when sentinels  
will cry out on Ephraim's hills,  
'Come, let us go up to Zion,  
to YHWH.'

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

*Assembly:* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 118: Alleluia, Alleluia (David Haas)**

#### **The Epistle**

**Acts 10: 34-43**

*Reader:* A reading from the Book of Acts.

So Peter said to them, "I begin to see how true it is that God shows no partiality-rather, that any person of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to God. This is the message God has sent to the people of Israel, the Good News of peace proclaimed through Jesus Christ, who is Savior of all. You yourselves know what took place throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee with the baptism John proclaimed. You know how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, and how Jesus went about doing good works and healing all who were in the grip of the Devil, because God was with him. We are eyewitnesses to all that Jesus did in the countryside and in Jerusalem. Finally, Jesus was killed and hung on a tree, only to be raised by God on the third day. God allowed him to be seen, not by everyone, but only by the witnesses who had been chosen beforehand by God-that is, by us, who ate and drank with Christ after the resurrection from the dead. And Christ commissioned us to preach to the people and to bear witness that this is the one set apart by God as judge of the living and the dead. To Christ Jesus all the prophets testify, that everyone who believes has forgiveness of sins through this Name."

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Hymn (see hymn board)

*We stand as able.*

#### **The Gospel**

**Matthew 28:1-10**

*Deacon:* A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

*Assembly:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary of Magdala came with Mary to inspect the tomb. Suddenly, there was a severe earthquake, and an angel of God descended from heaven, rolled back the stone, and sat on it. The angel's appearance was like lightning, with garments white as snow. The guards shook with fear and fell down as though they were dead. Then the angel spoke, addressing the women: "Don't be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus the crucified, who is no longer here. Jesus has been raised, exactly as it was foretold. Come and see the burial place. Then go quickly and tell the

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disciples that Jesus has risen from the dead and now goes ahead of you to Galilee. You will see Jesus there. That is the message I have for you.” The women hurried away from the tomb with awe and great joy and ran to carry the good news to the disciples. Suddenly Jesus stood before them and said, “Shalom!” The women came up, embraced Jesus’ feet and worshiped. At this, Jesus said to them, “Don’t be afraid! Go tell the disciples to go to Galilee, where they will see me.”

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**Assembly:** **Thanks be to God.**

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First Reader:	Judd Spray
Second Reader:	Mary Sullivan
Prayers of the People:	Marcia Franz
Chalice Bearers:	Vince Reed and Larry Shell
Ushers:	Barb and Dan Carpenter
Server:	Kai Carrigan

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Altar Guild: Ann Smith, Sandy Purrington, and Kate Kenney  
Coffee Hour Hosts: Judd Spray, Pat Micklow, and the Raileys  
Evening Prayer Officiant: Vince Reed  
Children's Ministry: Jim Edwards, Cathy Greer Cole, and Nancy Railey  
Eucharistic Visitors: Marcia Franz to MGH, Bob Railey to Valente, Ishpeming (Betsy Barnwell, Robina Payant & Jayne Yelland) and Warner Creek, Palmer (Bill Mudge)

### **THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH**

Sunday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	All Parish Breakfast Holy Eucharist	9:30 am 10:30 am
Tuesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Morning Meditation Evening Meditation and Yoga Holy Eucharist: Annunciation	8:00 am 5:30 pm 5:30 pm
Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup>	Evening Prayer Soup Supper Vestry	5:30 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm
Thursday	27 <sup>th</sup>	Morning Meditation	8:00 am

#### **VESTRY MEETING CHANGE**

Contrary to some calendars the **Vestry will not meet on Thursday, March 13**. The meeting has been changed to **Wednesday March 26 at 7:00 pm**

#### **WELCOME!**

We welcome all visitors and guests this morning. After the service, you are invited to the Great Room on the lower level (accessible by stairs or elevator) for coffee and conversation.

#### **FOOD BANK DONATIONS**

The Food Bank items for March are: boxed cereal (kid friendly or otherwise), 1/2 gallon cans of juice, and 14.5 oz cans of fruit (fruit cocktail, peaches, pears, etc.) As always, other items are welcomed. Monetary donations can be made by writing "Food Donation" on the memo line of your check or marking the envelope the same when donating cash - both can be placed in the collection plate on any Sunday. Questions about Hunger Ministry? Call Larry Shell: 250-8214 or e-mail him at [larry@shell-family.com](mailto:larry@shell-family.com)

#### **HOLY EUCHARIST: ANNUCIATION**

Please note that the Holy Eucharist for the Annunciation on Tuesday March 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm will take place in the Main Church.

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