



# A Simple Service of Testimony and Song in Celebration of the Resurrection

*Worship with members of the Council of Conference Ministers and national setting staff of the United Church of Christ (UCC)*

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## WELCOME AND GREETINGS

Rev. Elizabeth Dilley - Minister and Team Leader, Ministerial Excellence, Support and Authorization team, national setting of the UCC

## MUSICAL OFFERING: THINE IS THE GLORY

Performed by members of the University Congregational UCC in Seattle, WA

## OPENING LITANY

Based on John 20

Rev. Elena Larssen - Minister for Volunteer Engagement, national setting of the UCC

*One: Peace be with you.*

Many: The land drips with violence, people rage with contempt, even the air spins a path of destruction. How can we claim peace in a time like this?

*One: Peace be with you.*

*One: Receive the Holy Spirit*

Many: We are too afraid of this power, too enchanted by it, too disturbed by it. Is not this gift too powerful to be entrusted to humankind?

*One: Receive the Holy Spirit.*

*One: See my hands.*

Many: We do not want to see the wounds of the world; there are too many names to recall, too many places scored by violence. Why will you not let us forget?

*One: See my hands.*

*One: Reach out your hand.*

Many: We are so bound up in your love, O Christ, that your peace, your Spirit, even your pain will not let us go. Therefore we remember, take hold, receive, and move in faith.

*One: Do not doubt but believe.*

Many: Amen.

**SCRIPTURE: JOHN 20: 19-31**

Rev. Kent Siladi - Director of Philanthropy, national setting of the UCC

**TESTIMONIES:**

Introduction by Rev. Elizabeth Dilley

Testimony 1: Rev. Dr. Edward Davis - Conference Minister of the Southern Conference

Testimony 2: Rev. Lynn Bunjak - Conference Minister of the Vermont Conference

Testimony 3: Rev. Noel Andersen - UCC and CWS Grassroots Coordinator for Immigrants' Rights

Testimony 4: Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund - Minister for Disabilities and Mental Health Justice

Closing by Rev. Elizabeth Dilley

**MUSICAL OFFERING: RISE UP, PEACE ETERNAL**

Written and performed by The Restoration Project

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND BENEDICTION**

Rev. Dr. Chris Davies - Minister and Team Leader, Faith INFO, national setting of the UCC

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*Thank you for joining us today!*