

Phippsburg Congregational Church, UCC
Open and Affirming: All are Welcome Here!

April 28, 2019: Second Sunday of Easter

Please silence all electronic devices. Thank you!

** indicates times when you're invited to rise in body or spirit*

Prelude & The Ringing of the Church Bell

"Be Thou my vision" Hymn tune Slane, arr. Lloyd Larson

Greetings and Announcements

Lighting of the Altar Lights

Call To Worship: (Psalm 150)

Praise the Lord! Praise God in sky and sanctuary; high as heaven!

Praise God's mighty deeds; greatness beyond our imagining!

Sound the trumpet! Praise God with lute and harp!

Shake the tambourine! Dance! praise God with strings & pipe!

Praise God with clanging cymbals; loud and bold and brash!

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Oh, Praise God!

***Hymn: "Thine Is The Glory"** Pilgrim Hymnal 193

Gathering Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

**God of History, we celebrate your story and ours:
mistakes that bring wisdom, doubt dancing with belief,
friendships that teach us how to welcome love,
sorrows that break us wide open.**

**In this Resurrection season, help us unclench even more,
lay claim to fresh courage, love more boldly,
and listen for your Living Word,
so that we may share your Easter joy
and claim the mighty mystery of faith.**

We pray in the name of our Risen Lord:

**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, & the power, & the glory, forever. Amen**

**Gloria Patri: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the
Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end! Amen, Amen!**

Scripture Reading: Acts 5:27-32 KJV /CEB /MSG

Time for All God's Children

***Hymn: "Now the Green Blade Rises" (NCH 238)** Insert

Pastoral Prayer: May the Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them up unto the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord

It is right to give God thanks and praise!

Offertory: "Offertory on 'Danby' " Franklin Ritter

***Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31 KJV /CEB /MSG

Sharing the Resurrection Word: *You are invited to share a poem on the
theme of resurrection or new life. Please signal the deacons to bring
you a microphone so that everyone can hear!*

***Closing Hymn: "The Day of Resurrection"** Pilgrim Hymnal 192

Benediction

Extinguishing the Altar Lights: *Take the Light of Christ into the world!*

Postlude: "For me to live is Jesus" Johann Pachelbel

Cover Art: "Jesus appears to Thomas," JESUS MAFA, 1973

Thanks to today's service participants:

Organist: Sharon Bond Lay Reader: Jean Perkins

Head/Asst Deacon: Ann Bradbury/ Mary Hartman

Sunday School Teacher: Sandy Stenquist

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Welcome to the Phippsburg Congregational Church! Please sign our guest book in the narthex and stay for refreshments and fellowship in the Linden Tree Meeting House following the service. No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. **Need a Large-print bulletin, bible, or hearing-assist device?** Please ask one of our deacons for these.

CALENDAR

Sun 4/28 *Worship 10 AM – Poetry Sunday*
Tues 4/30 *Choir Practice, 6:00 PM*
May 1-7 *Pastor Holly on Vacation*
Thurs 5/2 *Tai Chi, 10-11 AM*
Sun 5/5 *Worship 10 AM*
Thurs 5/9 *Thresholds Conference, 8-3 PM, Portland*

PASTOR'S HOURS FOR 4/28-5/4: By appointment: Holly can be reached as needed: (207)504-0107 / revcelt@gmail.com **Marilyn's Hours:** Tues 10-2 PM

THRESHOLDS CONFERENCE, MAY 9TH

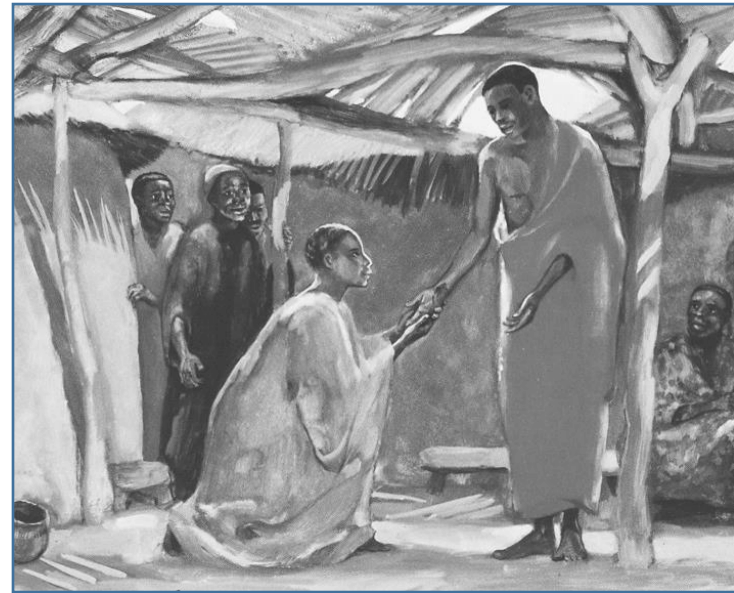
A Resilient Spirit: Living & Caregiving Through End of Life, 8:00-3:00 PM, Hannaford Hall, USM Campus, Portland

Join us for a series of conversations about care, caregiving, and relationships at the end of life, and learn from individuals who have experienced this journey. To register and for more information: (207)289-3643 or hospiceofsouthernmaine.org/thresholds.

More Easter Eggs! Our egg sale to benefit Heifer Project International will continue through the season of Easter. Suggestion donation is \$5 per dozen. Note that eggs are gently washed at the farm, but not refrigerated. They may be safely kept this way for up to three weeks, or refrigerated for up to a month.



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These things did Thomas count as real:
the warmth of blood, the chill of steel,
the grain of wood, the heft of stone,
the last frail twitch of flesh and bone.
The vision of his skeptic mind
was keen enough to make him blind
to any unexpected act
too large for his small world of fact.

--Thomas Troeger, from his hymn:
"These Things Did Thomas Count"

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