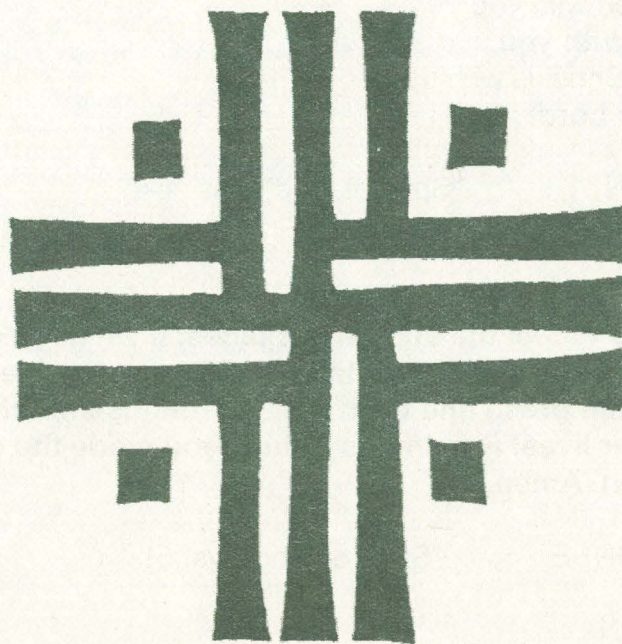


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# CROSSROADS

April 27, 2003

8:45 a.m.

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING MUSIC "Where the Spirit of the Lord Is"

#2119

## \*GREETING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The risen Christ is with us.

**Praise the Lord!**

## \*OPENING HYMN

"Spirit of God" (vss. 1-4)

#2117

## OPENING PRAYER

**Lord God, if we fail to see the explosion of color around us, if we never stop to feel the sun on our faces, if we neglect to listen to the music of birds and the laughter of children, forgive us. Open our hearts to the grace and truth that surrounds and fills and ordinary days of our lives. Remind us of how you made the common uncommon. Amen.**

## PRAYER RESPONSE

"Spirit of God" (vs. 5)

#2117

## GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:19-31

*When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again. "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are*



*retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.*

## SILENT REFLECTION

RESPONSE "Without Seeing You" (vss. 1-2) #2206

MEDITATION "After Easter... What?" Ruth Harper Stevens

## PERIOD OF REFLECTION AND DECISION

RESPONSE "Without Seeing You" (vss. 3-4) #2206

OFFERING "Give Thanks" #2036

## HOLY COMMUNION

\*HYMN "We Walk by Faith" #2196

## \*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

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Preacher ..... Rev. Ruth Harper Stevens

Liturgist ..... Rev. Lisa Brown Cole

Pianist ..... Rev. R. Julian Irvine

