



When the Unimaginable Has Happened: Doubting Thomas

Prelude to Worship

“Revelation Song” arr. Phillip Keveren

Julie Dean, piano

Words of Welcome

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips

THE GATHERING – We Enter into God’s Presence

Sharing Christ’s Peace

Rev. Laura Ann Phillips and Pastor Lisa Engelken

Gathering in the Light

Invitation to Worship

Pat Warner

one: So much in life is unpredictable.

*all: **Life begins and ends.***

one: The weather changes.

*all: **Love surprises us.***

one: Doors close.

*all: **Others open.***

one: Life is unpredictable, but what we can count on is finding God in this space;

*all: **For this is God’s house, and all are welcome.***

*one: So bring your questions and concerns, your doubts and wonderings,
For in the midst of this unpredictable life, we can predict this:*

*all: **Love lives here. Let us worship God.***

Hymn of Praise

“God Is Here!”

Chalice Hymnal #280

Prayer of Confession

Pat Warner

one: Gracious God,

You ask us to follow you, and we respond with logistical questions –

*all: **How long? Where to? Will we return?***

one: You ask us to love each other, and we respond with excuses –

*all: **I don’t know how. We don’t see eye to eye.***

one: You ask us to dream and we get stuck in our own heads –

*all: **Change will never come. Is it worth it?***

one: You ask us to believe, and like Thomas, we ask for proof –

*all: **Unless I see the nails in his hands, I cannot believe.***

one: Forgive us for our small-minded ways.

*all: **Open our eyes as you open our hearts.***

one: Unravel our doubt. Unravel our unbelief. In this hour of worship, lead us to rest in you.

*all: **Gratefully we pray, Amen.***

THE WORD – We Receive God's Word

Scripture	"Jesus Appears to Thomas"	Rev. Lisa Setty
A Children Worship and Wonder Story by Sonja M. Stewart, based on John 20:19-29		
Scripture	John 20:19-29 (The Message)	Theresa Krebs
Meditation	"When the Unimaginable Happens"	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
Special Music	"Doubting Thomas" by Chris Thile	Jake Dagit, vocal and guitar

THE RESPONSE – We Respond in Worship

Prayers of the People	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
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Our 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

Invitation to Stewardship	Theresa Krebs
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Doxology	"Weave"	Chalice Hymnal #495
Prayer of Dedication		Nancy Phipps
Celebration of Communion		Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
Words of Institution		Jody Cash

SENDING FORTH – We Go Out into the World

Invitation to Discipleship	Rev. Laura Ann Phillips
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Closing Hymn	"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"	Chalice Hymnal #261
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Sharing the Light

Blessing and Benediction	Nancy Phipps
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*one: Go out in the strength God provides.
all: **We praise God's mighty deeds by the way we live.**
one: The steadfast love of God goes with us everywhere.
all: **The Holy Spirit empowers our worship and service.**
one: This day is a precious gift from God.
all: **We will rejoice and be glad in it!***

Postlude	"Peace Like a River" arr. Edwin McLean	Julie Dean, piano
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