



Easter 2021 Communion prayer

The sun rises today on this Easter morning, our second Resurrection Day in the midst of a global pandemic, Covid-19. The women bring spices to anoint Jesus in his tomb. After the young man in the white robe spoke, the women “ran away...because they were frightened out of their wits.” In the breaking of whatever bread you lift this day and in the blessing of the cups we hold, may God’s Spirit reach our panic, our fears, our sadness, with love and peace.

Like tree rings that grow outward and tell their annual story of growth and struggle for that year, how will we each celebrate this Easter feast? May God’s Spirit deepen and widen your faith and your capacity for wonder and awe, connecting to new facets and creative manifestations stirring within, with Jesus’ call to love and care for ourselves and one another in this pandemic and beyond. Amen.

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