Solace is the art of asking the beautiful question, of ourselves, of our world or of one another, in fiercely difficult and un-beautiful moments. Solace is what we must look for when the mind cannot bear the pain, the loss or the suffering that eventually touches every life and every endeavor. Solace is the beautiful imaginative home we make where disappointment can go to be rehabilitated. When life does not in any way add up, we must run to the part of us that has never wanted a life of simple calculation.

David Whyte, Consolations: The Solace, Nourishment and Underlying Meaning of Everyday Words

Preparing to Hear God’s Word

Prelude

Prelude in C Major, BWV 547

J. S. Bach

Hymn

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!

Easter Hymn

Jesus Christ is ris’n today: alleluia! Let the joyful people say, alleluia!
Christ has shared our earthly life: alleluia! Conquered death to end our strife: alleluia!
Powers of death have had their day: alleluia! Earthly rulers have no sway, alleluia!
Nothing more to fear have we: alleluia! Those who trust in Christ are free: alleluia!
Glory be to God on high: alleluia! Let the whole creation cry: alleluia!
Let the name of Christ be sung: alleluia! Everywhere by every tongue: alleluia!

Welcome

Dorothy Piatt

God’s Word to Us

The Resurrection

John 20:1-18

Ken Henry, Lynne Clements

Epistle

Colossians 3:1-4
WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL

Easter Prayer

Brightness of God’s glory
and exact image of God’s person,
whom death could not conquer
nor the tomb imprison,
as you have shared our frailty in human flesh,
help us to share your immortality in the Spirit.
Let no shadow of the grave terrify us,
and no fear of darkness turn our hearts from you.
Reveal yourself to us this day and all our days,
as the first and the last, the Living One,
our immortal Savior and Lord. Amen.

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