



continuing the journey of

# transforming grace:

transforming presence

Reflection for Easter | March 31, 2024

## Opening Song:

Ma Muse: Hallelujah

## Opening Prayer

adapted from Catholic Relief Services

*I live in faith of the Resurrection,  
but such is the nature of my faith  
that so much of me remains entombed.  
Break open the tomb.*

*Where I've buried my compassion,  
break open the tomb.*

*Where I've buried my sense of mercy,  
break open the tomb.*

*Where I've buried my humility,  
break open the tomb.*

*Where I've buried my humanity,  
break open the tomb.*

*Where I've buried my love,  
break open the tomb.*

*Where I've buried my sense of joy,  
break open the tomb. Amen*

*Where I've buried my willingness to forgive,  
break open the tomb.*

## Scripture

Matthew 28:10

"Then, Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

## For Thought

"Without women preachers, we would have no knowledge of the resurrection." - Jürgen Moltmann

## Listen and Reflect

Greg Lukianoff: Freedom of Speech

## Questions for Reflection and Dialogue

Upon discovering the empty tomb, the women carried the message of the resurrection to those held in the grips of grief and fear. In the face of fear and confusion, they spoke unimaginable truth to a broken-hearted community.

Reflect on the ways that we welcome or discourage the opportunities we have to both speak our truth and live our resurrection faith. Notice, this week, the invitations to discover the intersection of the freedom of speech and the resurrection truth.

## Closing Prayer

When I am Among The Trees, Mary Oliver

## Closing Song

This Joy: Resistance Revival Chorus

