



**COMMUNITY EASTER
SUNRISE CELEBRATION**

Singing Beach, Manchester by the Sea, MA

March 31, 2024, 6:26 AM

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Katherine Schofield

Leader: Christ is risen!

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ALL: ALLELUIA!

HYMN Jesus Christ is Risen Today (insert)

INVOCATION in unison

Rev. Katherine Schofield

Almighty God, who through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:

Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's Resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

GOSPEL READING John 20:1-12 **Rev. Ryan Ackerman**

¹ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a

place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, ¹² and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet.

EASTER MESSAGE

Rev. Luther Zeigler

HYMN *He is Risen* (insert)

BENEDICTION

Rev. Ryan Ackerman

Worship Leaders this morning:

Pastor Ryan Ackerman, Cornerstone Church
Rev. Katherine Schofield, First Parish Church
Reverend Luther Zeigler, Emmanuel Church
Tyler Hauer, Trumpet

All are invited to attend the 33rd Easter Sunrise breakfast immediately following this service at the Amaral Bailey American Legion located behind Town Hall. Sausages, eggs, home fries, fruit, homemade muffins, English muffins, doughnuts, assorted juices, coffee, tea and milk offered. As usual served free of charge but donations to defray the cost gratefully accepted.