

## **Benediction**

Rev. Laurie Gates-Ward

## **Benediction Response**

*For the Beauty of the Earth (verse 1)*

## **Postlude**

Sue Norris

**Sunday, April 16, 2023**

# *Navigating Thin Places*



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**April 16, 2023**  
*Second Sunday of Easter*  
*Earth Sunday*

**Welcome**

Rev. Laurie Gates-Ward

**Prelude**

Sue Norris

**Threshold Moment**

Alan Ward

**Threshold Song**

*Thin Place (video)*

**Opening Song**

*How Majestic Is Your Name*

**Passing of the Peace**

Priscilla Rollins

**The Children Lead Us**

Laura Suban

**Anthem**

*Glory of God* Kim Donnelly & Erich Donnelly

**Scripture Reading**

Dottie DiPoli

*Ezekiel 47: 1-12, John 20: 24-29*

A Word of God that is still speaking.  
**Thanks be to God**

**Hymn of Preparation**

*I Love To Tell the Story*

**Sermon**

Alan Ward, Certified Lay Servant and Global Ministries  
Earthkeeper  
*"Navigating Thin Places"*

**Hymn of Response**

*Touch the Earth Lightly (insert)*

**Prayers of the People**

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

Priscilla Rollins

**Prayer Chorus**

*Cares Chorus*

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**Giving Of Tithes and Offering**

(April Special Offering: Vacation Bible School)

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**Closing Song**

*Hear Our Praises*