

## **Responsive Reading The Risen Savior**

*(verses from Mt.28, Jn.20 & Rev.1)*

*Leader: After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to view the tomb.*

**People: There was a violent earthquake, because an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and approached the tomb. He rolled back the stone and was sitting on it.**

*L: His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing was as white as snow. The guards were so shaken by fear of him that they became like dead men.*

**P: The angel told the women, “Don’t be afraid, because I know you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here. For he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay**

*L: Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has risen from the dead and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; you will see him there.’ Listen, I have told you.”*

**P: So, departing quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, they ran to tell his disciples the news. Just then Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” They came up, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him.**

*L: When it was evening on that first day of the week, the disciples were gathered together with the doors locked because they feared the Jews. Jesus came, stood among them, and said to them, “Peace be with you.”*

**P: Having said this, he showed them his hands and his side. So, the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.**

*L: A week later his disciples were indoors again, and Thomas was with them. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.”*

**P: Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and look at my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Don’t be faithless but believe.”**

*L: Thomas responded to him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said, “Because you have seen me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.”*

**ALL: I am the Living One. I was dead, but look—I am alive forever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and Hades.**