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**April 18, 2021
The Third Sunday of Easter**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Whatever God did in the past, the future is that much better!

We will not stop looking for the newness God has for us!

Whatever we have achieved to this point, we have not completed our journey.

With eager expectation, let us worship the Lord.

MORNING PRAYER

HYMN

“In the Garden”

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UNISON PRAYER

**We were pretty sure we knew you,
until you asked us who you were . . .**

**We thought we had you all figured out,
until you started mentioning those things
none of us want to think about . . .**

**We thought we knew where you were going,
until you crossed to the wrong side of the street . . .**

**We thought we knew everything.
Give us wisdom so we might find
the willingness to follow you.**

**Give us wisdom so we might cradle
your uncomfortable words in our hearts;
Give us wisdom so we might know you,
and in knowing, tell others of your glory.
Give us wisdom for the journey. Amen.**

ANTHEM

“I Surrender All”

Joy More

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 37:3-7a

MESSAGE

“The Secretary, the Reporter, and the Hermit” a story by Avery Brook
Kiera McKee, Greg Schussler, Jennifer Scisco

BENEDICTION

A CLOSING GLIMPSE OF BEAUTY