

VIA LUCIS: JESUS & MARY MAGDALENE

As preached on Sunday, May 8th

Read: John 20:1-18

1. Peter and John return to where they are staying after seeing the empty tomb. But, Mary chooses to stay. Why do you think she stays?
2. Have you ever chosen to stay someplace (physically, emotionally, spiritually) and been rewarded as a result? What was it like?
3. Mary is not afraid to wonder aloud to the angels and to the “gardener” about what had become of Jesus’ body. Does her boldness of wondering surprise you?
4. How free do you feel to wonder about your faith? The Bible? The way in which God is at work in your life and in this world?
5. After realizing that she had encountered the risen Jesus, Mary tells the rest of the disciples of what she has experienced. How do you think she felt as she was on her way there to share?
6. Have you ever felt nervous about telling your own story of experiencing God? Do you think you need to have all the answers to do so?
7. What are some ways you can integrate Mary’s practices of staying, wondering, and telling into your daily life? (be specific)