PANDEMIC EASTER AFFIRMATIONS

Amazing, impossible things happen.

Affirmations are used in corporate worship and personal devotion to remind us of what we believe about God. These words connect us and unite us in a shared understanding of what it means to be faithful at this moment -- and this pandemic has challenged many of us.

Here is an outline that you can use to affirm your faith in this pandemic season. Use this structure to find the words that affirm this moment. Don't feel that you have to answer every question nor should you feel that you have to fit tightly to this structure. A few simple sentences that articulate what you believe right now is enough.

WHAT IS TRUE

- Where have you found new life?
- What prayers do you repeat every night?
- What are your fears?
- What still feels impossible?
- What amazes or delights you?
- How do you describe your hope?

WHAT I BELIEVE

- Who is God?
- Where do you see God at work?
- What does the Bible tell us about how God works?
- What did Jesus do?
- Where is Jesus now?
- Where does the Bible tell us to find Christ?
- What does resurrection mean now?
- What is the Holy Spirit like?
- Why is Christian community important to you?
- What does the Bible say is most important?

WHY IT MATTERS

- Do your truths support, contradict or challenge what you believe?
- What does believing in any of these things mean for how you live?
- Is there more that you are called to be or do?
- How does what you believe give you courage or make you hopeful?

If you get really stuck, read the Apostle's Creed, Nicene Creed or the Statement of Faith of your denomination for inspiration.

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