



Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024 www.fabricmpls.com

**EASTER!** Buried - There's more to living than not being dead! The Easter story gives us a beautiful (if not kind of scary) look into both death and life. What needs to stay dead in order for us to experience new life? What continues to haunt, even when scary things are stripped of their power over us? Let's dive in... if you dare!

### WELCOME

Life, for adults and kids alike, is most fulfilling when it is woven deeply with the strands of your full self, others, and that third strand that is bigger, beyond, around and within us all that you may or may not know as God.

Learn more about Fabric at FabricMpls.com

New to Fabric? Visit the welcome table for a gift. We'd love to meet you.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

We're glad you're here!

Music with Chris Tripolino and the Fabric Band
Welcome & Say Hi
Message, Buried, with Ian McConnell
Connecting with and supporting Fabric
Song & Closing

Miss a week or want to hear the message again? Check our podcast fabricmpls.podbean.com or on most podcast platforms.

## COMING UP AND MORE



**Beginning April 7** | *Unearthed* - It takes real courage to dig out when we'd rather bury our heads, especially with difficult subjects we hear about in the news and see on social media. How might we shift our gaze up from ourselves and peer out into the wider world together with good courage? We'll hear from trusted experts and practice being brave in uncertain times. More at fabricmpls.com/current



What's happening for KIDS after Easter? SCUBA The bible shares a simple truth that isn't always as simple to follow but, what if we chose to seek justice, love kindness, and to be intentional about weaving life deeply? What if kids explored and practiced tools to help them to seek out justice for themselves and to help their neighbors to do the same. Join us! More at fabricmpls.com/kids-current



**Get to Know Fabric!** Looking for significant community can be fraught and time-consuming. If you are kicking the tires, curious yet rightfully cautious about what you might be getting in to, this is for you! You'll hear basics of the Fabric story, have space to ask questions, enjoy some pastries and meet some other curious people. April 7, noon-1pm (a) Sovereign Grounds. RSVP to melissa(a) fabricmpls.com



What's Up With Fabric - Every so often, we gather for What's Up With Fabric. This is a time to catch up on what is going on behind the scenes; the changes happening, the considerations staff and other leaders are weighing. Join in to keep bringing, growing and finding your irreplaceable part in how Fabric gets woven! And help others do the same. April 14 (a) the Fabric Office. See you there! More at fabricmpls.com/wuwf



The story of this land matters. We gather on land that was honored by the Dakota people for centuries, but from which they were forcibly and dishonorably removed and continue to be erased.





"Peace be with you! Breathe deeply.....

You have everything you need to go out from here and show the world what growing and loving looks like!"

—Jesus

(lan's generous translation of John 20)

# THERE'S MORE TO LIVING THAN NOT BEING DEAD

we are **seeds**, not just zombies!

"What didn't you do to bury me, but you forgot 1 was a seed." -Dinos Christianopoulos

As we consider Jesus' words to frightened friends feeling buried,

THIS MIGHT HAVE A LOT TO DO WITH BEING FREE TO GROW.

There's something important and beautiful that can happen in periods of buried **dormancy**... we recognize places of new **growth and life**.

## **HOW TO PREPARE YOUR POLLINATOR SEED PAPER:**

Soak the card in water. Fill your desired planting container with compost or potting soil. Tear up the card and place on top, then cover with a thin layer of soil. Give it a good soaking. Make sure to keep the card damp, and water regularly. Place your pot somewhere sunny and warm!

Please note: germination can take up to 8 weeks.



Homework Invitation — Pause for reflection! There can be a lot surrounding Easter: commitments & obligations; faith & doubt; past experiences & hopes for a different future; eagerness & grief. Give yourself permission to take a few slow moments this week to recognize where you might be seeing new life emerging in light of what Easter means to you this time around.



**Thank you for supporting Fabric!** Your generosity has provided a space for community to wrestle with the important stuff of life, and for lives to be transformed. If you'd like to support the work of Fabric, scan the QR code to the right. Our generosity today can be a seed for those who have yet to find this.

