

## 2023 Pastor's Easter message

Happy Easter to you all—parishioners!

It is the day of celebration of life from Death. Christ has Risen from the dead. Death is swallowed up in victory.

It's a shaky world out there. Could you use some unshakable hope? If so, you are not alone. Hope is hard to come by these days. Many believe this world is as good as it gets, and let's face it.

Though we have never been more educated, entertained, and connected, the suicide rate In America increased 35 percent. How could that be?

One of the reasons must be said this: People are dying from lack of hope. Our lives are filled with problems and challenges.

Jesus said to Martha, "I am the resurrection and life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me never die. Do you believe this?" (John Ch. 11).

But what if we filtered our loves and challenges through the promises of God. God's promises are abundant, unbending and perennial.

These promises work. They can secure you in the midst of horrific storms. They can carry you through the day-to-day difficulties.

And since God's Word is unbreakable, our hope is unshakable.  
Peace of Christ, Alleluia!

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