

The New Normal Britt Sipe, Lead Pastor

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EASTER SUNDAY: IT'S OUR TURN TO BRING HOPE

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But Mary stood outside the tomb weeping. As she wept, she knelt to look into the tomb and saw two angels sitting there, dressed in white, one at the head, the other at the foot of where Jesus' body had been laid. They said to her, "Woman, why do you weep?" "They took my Master," she said, "and I don't know where they put him." After she said this, she turned away and saw Jesus standing there. But she didn't recognize him.

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- **†** So, CHOOSE HOPE over all else. Rom 15:13; Col 1:5; 1Pet 1:13
- **↑** And, be a HOPE CARRIER. 2Cor 3:12; 1Tim 4:10; 1Pet 3:15

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