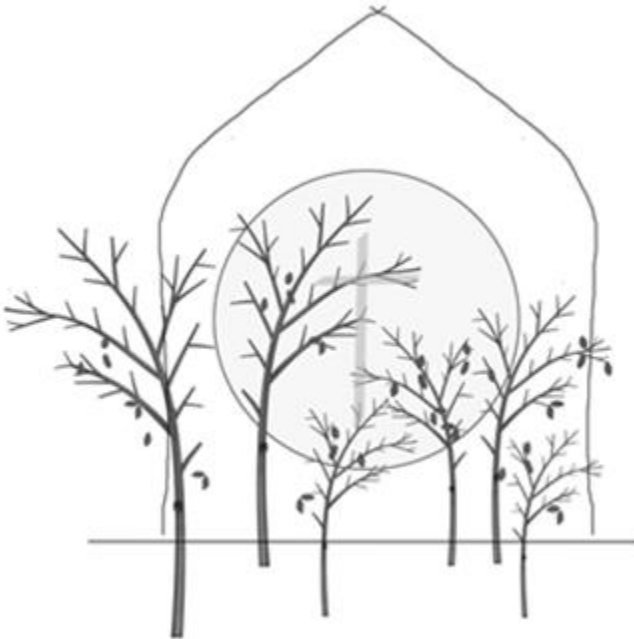


AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



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3rd Sunday in Lent
March 15, 2020 | 9:00

*As a courtesy, please silence cell phones before worship.
A “+” indicates all are invited to stand in either body or spirit.*

WE GATHER

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE!

+CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Jesus met the blind man at the city gate.

All: Jesus met the crowds at the edge of the sea.

One: Jesus met the leper in his pain.

All: And Jesus met the Samaritan woman in her isolation.

One: So with confidence we declare—

All: Jesus meets us here.

One: For we too are the blind and the broken,
the hurting and the bleeding.

**All: Jesus meets our scars, our fears,
our prayers, and our dreams.**

One: So you are welcome here.

All: All are welcome here.

One: Let us worship Holy God.

+ COME AND LET US SING

Israel Houghton

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Gracious God, when it comes to our faith,
we know we could learn from the Samaritan woman
who ran through the streets singing your name.

**All: So, forgive us for the times when we remain silent
about what our faith means to us.**

**Forgive us for the times
when we choose comfort over bravery.**

One: Forgive us for the times we shut people out,
missing opportunities to run into you.

**All: Teach us to be brave like the Samaritan woman, and
saturate our thirst for that which leaves us thirsty.**

With hope and gratitude we confess.

With hope and gratitude we pray. Amen.

+SUNG RESPONSE: *LAMB OF GOD*

Gary Rand

One: Lamb of God, with love poured out
you suffer with the world,
have mercy, have mercy.

**All: Lamb of God, with love poured out
you suffer with the world,
have mercy, have mercy.**

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PASSING THE PEACE

One: "Begin again," life whispers in my ear.
Some days are beginning days.
Some days are designed to be the day we try again,
and on those days— God is cheering for you.
That's just the way God and beginnings work.

**All: For when my heart is broken and my life is in pieces, or
when I lose sight of the person that I am called to be,
from out of wilderness the voice of God sings to me,
"begin again."**

One: So know you are forgiven and "begin again,"
empowered by the peace which only Christ can bring.
Peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

+SUNG RESPONSE: *AMAHORO*

Tracy Howe

"Let peace flow between us!"

WE GROW

WEE WORSHIP

WOMAN AT THE WELL

trad. Hoyt Axton

DRAMATIC SCRIPTURE READING

John 4:5-32

MESSAGE

"Who You Are"

Rev. John Dillon

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING: *BEARING WITNESS*

Carrie Newcomer

OFFERING RESPONSE: *TAKE, O TAKE ME AS I AM*

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**Take, O take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE GO

+ *TESTIFY TO LOVE*

Wynnona Judd

+SENDING

*We gather in grace, we grow in grace, we go in grace...
The journey continues in an ever-widening circle of grace.*

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