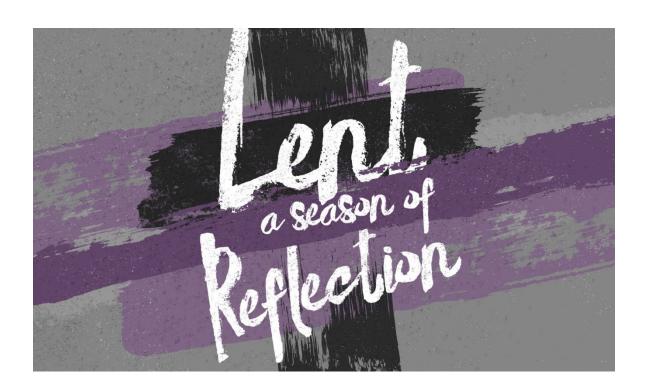
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# Lent 5 Evening Worship with Communion

March 29, 2023 7:00 PM

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As we gather... We are called by the grace of God who gave us His son to show His love for the world and His willingness to come to the earth and dwell among us.

# **PRELUDE**

### WELCOME

# + CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 95)

Lift up your voice and call out to God.

We cry out, believing that God hears us.

Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For the Lord is our God, and we are God's people.

Listen to God's voice—the Lord is a great God, above all others.

We will listen and follow God's way.

+ HYMN Bless the Lord 544

#### OPENING PRAYER

Jesus, you have known us from the beginning of time,

you have known us in the depths of our dreams and in the darkness of our shame, you know us as your beloved. Help us to own that core identity more and more in this season of repentance and mercy. Give us the rock-solid assurance of your unwavering faith in us as we seek the same in you.

Amen.

# CALL TO CONFESSION (Isaiah 55:1-9)

Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;

you that have no money, come, buy and eat!

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, says the LORD; eat what is good and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.

With faith and hope, let us confess our sin as we pray together.

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and to save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you

and turned aside from your way.

We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small.

We have failed in love, neglected injustice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy on us, O God, and forgive our sin.

Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (Romans 4:20-24)

Christ died for our sins. He made a full atonement for us. We are forgiven and we have the promise of eternal life. Feel that forgiveness in your heart. We are His children. Thanks be to God!

#### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Blessed Lord, who caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE Isaiah 30:21

Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way. Walk in it."

## MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

HYMN OF RESPONSE Kum ba Yah 472

# THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

**Instructions:** Please come by way of the center aisle when an usher indicates. All the bread is gluten free. Please partake of the elements when you receive them, and dispose of your cups in the baskets provided. If you cannot come forward, a server will bring communion to you in your row.

## INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

## **GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Dear Lord, you laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They shall perish, but you will endure. You are always the same and your years will never end. You made us in your image and called us your people, but we turned from you leaving sin and death to reign. Still you loved us and sought us. In Christ, your grace defeated death and opened the way to eternal life. And we affirm our thanksgiving with the words our Savior taught us, saying. . .

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### + COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Music during Communion Let Us Break Bread Together

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#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this wine from the gifts you have given us and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the one crucified and risen. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

+ SENDING HYMN

Jesus, Remember Me

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+ CHARGE AND BENDEDICTION

Please leave prayerfully and in silence.

+ Please rise in body or in spirit.

April 2, 2023 Palm-Passion Sunday One worship service with TEMA Choir - 10 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry 10:15 AM

April 6, 2023 Maundy Thursday service 7:00 PM April 7, 2023 Good Friday - Prayer Vigil 10 AM - 2:30 PM

April 9, 2023 - Easter Sunday Worship - Communion Traditional Worship service 8:30 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry 8:45 AM Easter Breakfast 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship service 11:00 AM 252 Kids Children's Ministry 11:15 AM Easter Egg Hunt (after 11 AM worship)