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PRELUDE & WELCOME

GATHERING

We gather this day to worship our God,
whose stories and ways
always challenge us.
God invites us this Lent to lose our selfishness
that we might truly find ourselves.
God calls us to be fools in the world,
to show forth the wisdom of Christ.
God urges us to empty ourselves
to discover life's fullness.
God bids us to be obedient to a divine call
so we might know our true freedom.

We come to worship our creator, seeking to
have our faith challenged into growth. We
root our faith in worship, seeking to find
nourishment for our spirits in this growing
season of Lent.

INVOCATION (based on Isaiah 58: 6-9a)

Isaiah reminds us that our prayer, fasting
and discipleship
must be lived out in God's compassion and
justice:

When we forget the fast you desire—

**To do justice, and stand up for the
powerless:**

When we forget the prayer you love—

**To show compassion, and care for those in
need:**

When we forget to follow your ways —

**To create relationships of righteousness and
peace:**

Your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator^[a] shall go before you;
the glory of the LORD shall be your rear
guard.

Then you shall call, and the LORD will
answer;

**we shall cry for help, and God will say,
“Here I am.”**

GATHERING HYMN Be thou My Vision ELW 793



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom and thou my true word:

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

In the name of the Father,
And of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

God of heaven and earth,
You come in close and make us yours.
Equip us by your Spirit to confess our sin,
Embrace our forgiveness,
And seek the way you set before us in your
Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

With unearned boldness, let us confess our
sin.

Merciful God, forgive us.
We are joined to sin, and we cannot break
free.

We have spoken when we should have kept
our tongue still.

Brief silence – 5 seconds

We were silent when we should have said
something.

Brief silence – 5 seconds

We jumped to action without time for discernment.

Brief silence – 5 seconds

We were still when we should have moved.

Brief silence – 5 seconds

For all these things **have mercy on us. Amen.**

People of God, let your eyes be opened, for the + Son of man has pardoned us. Through him we are liberated.

Now send us, that we might proclaim your mighty grace to the world,
Through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

Kyrie by Juliana Bummer, arr. Maren Marchesini

Kyrie Eleison. Christe Eleison.

Oh may Christ have mercy on my soul.

Kyrie Eleison.

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

*For the peace from above
and for our salvation;*

Let us pray, let us pray.

*Kyrie Eleison. Christe Eleison.
Oh may Christ have mercy on my soul.
Kyrie Eleison.*

*For the peace of the world;
for the church of our God;
for the people here who
bring worship and praise:
Let us pray, let us pray.*

*Kyrie Eleison. Christe Eleison.
Oh may Christ have mercy on my soul.
Kyrie Eleison.*

*Help me, Lord of my life.
Save me, Lord of my life.
Oh my Lord, I beg
for comfort and defense,
gracious Lord, gracious Lord.*

*Kyrie Eleison. Christe Eleison.
Oh may Christ have mercy on my soul.
Kyrie Eleison.*

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us pray: O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

(Tune: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow)

(Words: Ruth C. Duck)

Praise God the source of life and birth.

Praise God the Word, who came to earth.

Praise God the Spirit, holy flame.

All glory, honor to God's name. Amen

GOSPEL READING. John 12:20-33

The Gospel according to John.
Glory to you O Lord.

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” ²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

²⁷“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it

again.” ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” ³⁰Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

This is Gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you O Christ.

KID’S TIME

WORD OF THE WEEK is VIBRANCE: “VOICES OF FOCUS” AND HOMILY -- Maren

SONG OF THE WEEK – “We Shall Be Known”
by MaMuse
performed by **Roots in the Sky**

*We shall be known by the company we keep
By the ones who circle round to tend these fires
We shall be known by the ones who sow and reap
The seeds of change, alive from deep within the earth
It is time now, it is time now that we thrive*

*It is time we lead ourselves into the well
It is time now, and what a time to be alive
In this Great Turning we shall learn to lead in love
In this Great Turning we shall learn to lead in love*

APOSTLE'S CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our
Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the
dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*After each petition; Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.*

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

OFFERING

Offering Music Roots In the Sky

Offering Prayer

Let us pray:

God our generous creator,
you invite us to this meal to be fed and
nourished with your love.

Bless these gifts that we have gathered
that all people may know your
goodness.

Feed us not only with this holy food
but with hunger for justice and peace.

Amen.

COMMUNION (NOW THE FEAST).

SUNG:

*The Lord be with you...**and also with you.***

*Lift up your hearts...**we lift them to the Lord.***
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*It is our duty and delight
that we should everywhere and always
offer thanks and praise to you, O God
through Jesus Christ,
Who reconciled us to God by way of the
cross,
and so with the church on earth,
all creation and the host of heaven
we praise your name and join their
unending hymn*

***Holy, holy, holy are you,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the one who comes in your name,
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.***

SPOKEN:
You are indeed holy, gracious and merciful
God....

...Remembering his command to love one another, his life and earth, his resurrection and his ascension, we pray for his coming again, even as we cry:

*SUNG: Amen! Come Lord Jesus.
Amen! Come Lord Jesus
Amen! Come Lord Jesus.
Amen! Come Lord Jesus.*

SPOKEN: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit that all of your promises may come to us and your whole creation.

*SUNG: Amen! Come Holy Spirit.
Amen! Come Holy Spirit.
Amen! Come Holy Spirit.
Amen! Come Holy Spirit.*

SPOKEN: This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and our friend.

***SUNG: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
in the unity of the Spirit,***

***all glory and honor is yours O God,
now and forever.
Amen.***

SPOKEN: Make us bold, O merciful God, to call you our Father as we pray:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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 and ever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION MUSIC Roots in the Sky

BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ sustain you this day and ever more. Amen.

Let us pray: Life-giving God,

In this meal we taste true freedom.
May we eat in expectation of your promises,
May we drink in humble adoration,
And may we be truly and completely
nourished through the life of your son Jesus
Christ. **Amen**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

Now listen to the sounds that stir within, listen
to the cries for help that ring around you,
and follow a path of healing and liberation
for you and all you encounter. Take peace
in the sound of your own voice. **Amen.**

CLOSING SONG Thee We Adore ELW 476

Go in peace, awe, and anticipation
renewed in faith.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE