# Lenten Service

February 27, 2013

**Sentences of Scripture** 

(Joel 2:13)

Leader:

Return to the Lord your God,

People:

For God is gracious and merciful,

Leader:

Slow to anger,

People:

And abounding in steadfast love.

Hymn #375

Lord of all Good

Toulon

# Deuteronomy 5:4-6, 11-15 NRSV

The LORD spoke with you face to face at the mountain, out of the fire. (At that time I was standing between the LORD and you to declare to you the words of the LORD; for you were afraid because of the fire and did not go up the mountain.) And he said: I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; . . . You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work--you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

#### Matthew 5:13-19 NRSV

"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

The Word of the Lord Thanks Be To God

#### Meditation

#### God At The Center

# **Litany For Lent**

O Christ,

out of your fullness we have all received grace upon grace...

...you are generous to all who call upon you.

## Save us, Lord.

O Christ, fountain of life and holiness,... ... and were bruised for our iniquities.

## Save us, Lord.

O Christ, obedient unto death,...

...our peace and reconciliation:

# Save us, Lord.

O Christ, Savior of all who trust you, hope of all who die for you, and joy of all the saints:

# Save us, Lord.

Jesus, Lamb of God,

## have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins,

## have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world,

## grant us peace.

Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, . . . one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

Hymn #391

Take My Life

Hendon

**Closing Prayer and Table Blessing**