

Midweek Lenten Services, 2022

SINGING BOWL

During the ringing of the singing bowl, you are encouraged to center your thoughts on God the Creator, Christ the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Comforter.



PRELUDE . . . Myrna Emata Diaz

WELCOME

Please Stand

OPENING PRAYER

P: God of the ages,

All: we come into this holy space asking for your blessing, only to find that the abundance of your love is already around us.

P: Open our eyes to see the blessing of your creation

All: in the beauty all around us.

P: Open our ears to hear the blessing of your word

All: as it is proclaimed in story and song this day.

P: Open our hearts to experience the blessing of faith

All: through the gentle touch of a friend or the supportive smile of a stranger.

P: And open our doors, that we may become vessels of your blessing to a world still in need of salvation.

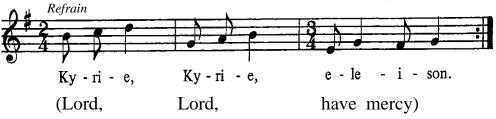
All: All this we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.



SONG . . . "Stay Here" (sung 3 times)



KYRIE . . . "Kyrie, Kyrie, Eleison" (Refrain sung 2 times)



- L: Lord our God, as evening falls and the light disappears, look upon us with compassion: receive our prayer . . .
- All: Refrain
- L: God our Healer, you take upon yourself our burdens; fill us with your peace . . .
- All: Refrain
- L: God our Creator, your love is all we need, kindle a new brightness in our night: may your light shine on us . . .
- All: Refrain





SCRIPTURE READING

Please Be Seated

SONG . . . "Veni Sancte Spiritus" (refrain sung twice)



L: Come, Holy Spirit, from heaven shine forth with your glorious light. Veni Sancte Spiritus.

All: Refrain

L: Come, Father of the poor, come generous Spirit, come, light of our hearts. Veni Sancte Spiritus.

All: Refrain

L: Come from the four winds, O Spirit, come breath of God; disperse the shadows over us, renew and strengthen your people. Veni Sancte Spiritus.

All: Refrain

L: Most kindly warming light! Enter the inmost depths of our hearts, for we are faithful to you. Without your presence, we have nothing worthy, nothing pure. Veni Sancte Spiritus.

All: Refrain

GLIMPSES - - THEN AND NOW

- Mar 9: Jesus in the Wilderness—We all crave peace
- Mar 16: Warned by Pharisees—Discernment means knowing whom to follow
- Mar 23: **The Fig Tree**—Plants and people both need nurturing
- Mar 30: **The Prodigal Son**—There's forgiveness for our prodigal ways
- Apr 6: *Mary Anoints Jesus' Feet*—Whether it's perfume for Jesus' feet or outreach programs, giving comes from the heart

SHARING A REFLECTION WITH ONE ANOTHER

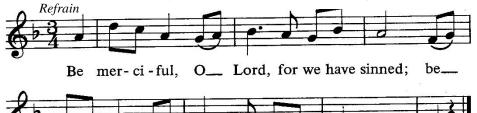
- Mar 9: **Questions:** What does it feel like to be at peace? Have you ever experienced peace making and what worked or failed?
- Mar 16: *Questions:* Why do you follow or unfollow people? Why do other people follow you?
- Mar 23: *Questions:* What kept you nurtured throughout the last 2 years? What was missing?
- Mar 30: *Questions:* What does it feel like to be forgiven? What does it feel like to forgive?
- Apr 6: **Questions:** In the past year what was the greatest gift you got? And what was the greatest gift you gave?

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SONG . . . "Be Merciful, O Lord" (Refrain sung once)



mer-ci-ful, O_ Lord, for we have sinned...

L: Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness, in your compassion, blot out my offence. Oh wash me more and more from my guilt and my sorrow, and cleanse me from all of my sin.

All: Refrain

L: My offences, truly I know them, and my sins are always before me. Against you, alone have I sinned, O Lord, what is evil in your sight I have done.

All: Refrain

L: Create in me a clean heart, O God, put your steadfast spirit in my soul. Cast me not away from your presence, Oh Lord, and take not your spirit from me.

All: Refrain



SONG . . . "Now, Lord" (refrain sung once)



L: Now, Lord, you have set your servant free, free to go in peace as you have promised.

All: Refrain

L: For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior whom you have prepared for all the world to see.

All: Refrain

L: A light to enlighten the nations, and the glory of your people Israel.

All: Refrain

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POSTLUDE . . . *Myrna Emata Diaz*

Please leave in silence



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