

### WE GATHER AROUND GOD'S WORD

♪ **Prelude** · Toni DiCapua

Celtic Meditations

**Call to Worship** (responsively) · Lou Pennebaker

Leader: May we find courage here—

**People: courage to follow our call,  
courage to live out our faith.**

Leader: May we find hope here—

**People: hope for a better world,  
hope that refuses to let us go.**

Leader: May we find truth here—

**People: truth that lives in a sacred community,  
truth that lives in ancient stories.**

Leader: May we find all that we seek.

**People: And in our seeking, may we know God. Amen.**

\* ♪ **Hymn of Praise** · Live Into Hope

No. 332

**Prayer of Confession** (in unison)

**Jesus of Nazareth, We admit that often we tuck our faith into our pockets, hiding in a place of comfort rather than proudly declaring: yes we are Christian, yes we believe, yes this faith has changed me. We are so afraid of offending others or embarrassing ourselves that we have established rules: no faith at the dinner table, no faith in politics, no faith with strangers. Forgive us for whispering when we could be singing. Forgive us for staying quiet when we could be engaging with others in helpful ways. Help us to show Your love. We want to pour out perfume over your feet. These things we pray, amen.**

### Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

\* ♪ **Gloria Patri**

No. 579

\* **Passing of The Peace**

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

### Greetings and Announcements

**Minute for Mission – One Great Hour of Sharing** · Jane Kraut

### WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

#### Prayer for Illumination

**Scripture Reading** · Ben Ball

Isaiah 43:16-21 (pg. 1127)

♪ **Anthem** · Chancel Choir

*Fairest Lord Jesus* ... arr. Mark Hayes

Richard Dinwiddie, director; Mollie Wakeman, accompanist  
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**Scripture Reading**

John 12:1-8 (pg. 1670)

**Ministry of the Word** · The Rev. Renée Rico

**"Brazen Acts of Beauty"**

*5<sup>th</sup> in the Series "Full to the Brim"*

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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### WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

- \* 🎵 **Hymn of Response** · Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart  
No. 326

### Acknowledgment and Blessing of Offerings

#### Invitation to Anointing

*The New Testament scriptures associate anointing oil with healing and prayer. When Jesus sent out the disciples to preach the gospel, “they cast out many demons and healed many sick people, anointing them with olive oil.” You are invited as you wish to come to one of the three prayer stations, to receive a prayer and be anointed with plain olive oil on your forehead or hand as you prefer.*

### Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

- \* 🎵 **Closing Hymn** · The Summons  
See page 6.  
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  - \* **Benediction**
  - \* 🎵 **Congregational Response** · Go Now in Peace
- 🎵 **Postlude** · Toni DiCapua  
Fugue ... Buttered

