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Service for the Lord's Day

— Gathering —

PRELUDE

Joshua Allen

WELCOME

Rev. Michele R. Goff

OPENING SENTENCES

Liturgist, Carol Scoggins

We worship in the season of Lent, a time to examine our hearts and our lives

and journey with Christ through the suffering of the world.

Let us watch for the coming sign of God's power,

a humble servant lifted up on a cross.

God has marked us as beloved dust

and called us together to worship.

MUSIC

Joshua Allen

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Carol Scoggins

CONFESSION

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

By the gift of your grace we are saved, O God, from all that separates us from you. Still, we would rather believe that we can earn your love. Still, we would rather believe that we are in ultimate control. Forgive us when we do not recognize the radical gift of your grace; have mercy when we fail or refuse to share that grace with another. Forgive us, O God, and wash us in your mercy. Forgive us, O God, and free us to try again.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Michele R. Goff

Listen, the time has come at last. Look, now is the day of salvation!

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**

— Word —

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Carol Scoggins

SCRIPTURE

Our Hebrew Scripture comes from the book of Numbers, chapter 21, verses 4 through 9.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL SCRIPTURE

Our gospel lesson today is from the Gospel according to John chapter 3, verses 14 through 21.

We proclaim Christ crucified—the wisdom and power of God. **Thanks be to God.**

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SERMON

“Live in the Light”

Rev. Michele R. Goff

ASCRPTION OF PRAISE

— Response —

MUSIC

Joshua Allen

~~~ Reception of New Members ~~~

## PRESENTER— KATHY

On behalf of the session, I present Liz Buchner, Chris Cross and Elizabeth Marvel, who *have* been received into the membership of this congregation by reaffirmation of faith.

## MICHELE

## KATHY

Hear these words from scripture:

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, **one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.**

## PROFESSION OF FAITH— MICHELE

## APOSTLE'S CREED—KATHY

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## MICHELE

Liz, Chris, and Elizabeth, remember your baptism and be thankful, and know that the Holy Spirit is at work within you. **Thanks be to God.**

## WELCOME—KATHY

Welcome to this ministry that we share in Jesus Christ.

## MICHELE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**