MUSIC

Joshua Allen

Lynn Tieken

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Your generosity in time, talent and treasure is witness to our deeply held values.

Jesus says: Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Lynn Tieken

You have shown us, O God, the sacrifice that you desire. Now use these gifts—and use our lives—to liberate the oppressed, to break the bonds of injustice, to feed the hungry, welcome the poor, and unite the human family; all in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

– Sending –

BLESSING AND CHARGE

Rev. Michele R. Goff

Joshua Allen

May the steadfast love of God, the abundant grace of Jesus Christ, and the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit be with you this day and always. *Amen!*

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus: If any wish to be my disciples let them take up the cross and follow me. *Amen.*

POSTLUDE

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Henderson, Texas

Serving God,

Honoring Creation,

Embracing Differences

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Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 21, 2021



Bold italic letters indicate congregational responses.

Service for the Lord's Day

— Gathering —

PRELUDE

WELCOME

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OPENING SENTENCES

Liturgist, Lynn Tieken

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CONFESSION

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

Through the season of Lent, O God,

we have prayed for clean hearts and right spirits. Forgive us, O Lord, if we have prayed with our words

but failed to pray with our actions.

Forgive us of what we have done that has contributed to the suffering of another,

and forgive us of what we have failed to do

that could have lightened a neighbor's burden.

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

Lynn Tieken

SCRIPTURE

Our first lesson is from the Hebrew prophet Jeremiah, chapter 31, verses 31 through 34. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Our next reading is Psalm 51, verses 1 through 12.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Our epistle reading is from the letter to the Hebrews, chapter 5, verses 5 though 10.

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL SCRIPTURE

Our gospel lesson is from the gospel according to John chapter 12, verses 20 through 33.

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

SERMON

ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

MUSIC

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Out of the ashes, up from the dust we bring our prayers to God, saying: In your steadfast love, O Lord, have mercy on us.

Restore in us, O God, the joy of your salvation; renew and sustain our spirits, so that we may live according to your will; through Jesus Christ, our hope and strength. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts as we forgive our debtors;
- and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
- For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever, Amen.

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— Response —

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