### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; let those who have no money come and eat.

God will satisfy our souls with a rich feast, and we will bless the Lord as long as we live.

### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy, holy Lord. God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

### **COMMUNION**

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Above All

River Evers, Soloist

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Giving God, living Lord, you have fed us with your body.

You have poured out your life that we might live.

We thank you, for we have tasted your goodness in this meal.

Fed, we are strengthened; filled, we are renewed

to share the abundance of your love with a hungry world. Amen.

## — Sending —

### HYMN #166

Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days

### **BLESSING AND CHARGE**

May the God of peace make you holy in every way and keep your whole being — spirit, soul, and body—free from every fault at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. *Thanks be to God.* 

POSTLUDE I Need Thee Every Hour

Joshua Allen





Henderson, Texas

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Embracing Differences



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# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HENDERSON, TX

1st Sunday in Lent March 6, 2022 (\*) Please rise in body or in spirit **Bold Italic letters** indicate congregational response

— Gathering —

WELCOME PRELUDE

It Is Well With My Soul

Rev. Michele Goff Joshua Allen

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Carol Scoggins

Remember the story of our faith.

We are the people God has delivered.

Rejoice in the hope of our faith.

God goes with us, step by step.

Cling to the promise of our faith.

Our God will not abandon us.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

HYMN #315 In the Midst of New Dimensions

**CALL TO CONFESSION** 

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

As Lent unfolds before us, great God, we see how far we have to go to Jerusalem.

The road is long, our sins are many, and our burdens are heavy.

We can't imagine new life, Easter life,

because our current lives are filled with bad choices and failed efforts.

Meet us in our weakness. Take up our sins.

Ease our burdens. Carry us on the way.

Bring us to Jerusalem, at last.

Show us a love that is stronger than death, a love no tomb can hold.

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS** 

Walking this earth, facing temptation,

defeating sin, Jesus has done for us

what we could never do for ourselves.

This is good news! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

- Word-

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST TESTAMENT Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Bible p. 174, LG p. 226

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

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

**EPISTLE READING** Romans 10:8b-13 Bible p. 180, LG p. 194

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

**GOSPEL** Luke 4:1-13 Bible p. 57, LG p. 74

Hear the word of God for us.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON Not Alone Rev. Michele Goff

ASCRIPTION OF PRAISE

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we bend our knees and lift up our hearts, giving glory to God forever. **Amen.** 

— Response—

SONG Dust and Ashes Touch Our Face

Joshua Allen, soloist

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** 

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.21

The reconciling work of Jesus
was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind.
His cross and resurrection become personal crisis
and present hope for women and men
when the gospel is proclaimed and believed.
In this experience,
the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to all,
moves people to respond in faith,
repentance, and obedience,
and initiates the new life in Christ.

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus as we pray for the world he came to save, saying: Have mercy, O God; *hear our prayer...*.

As we pour out our hearts in prayer, O God, lead us to pour out our lives in service to you—ever seeking your will, ever following your way; all in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven... debts/debtors...

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen. SUNG RESPONSE Don't Be Afraid, My Love is Stronger Than Your Fear

Ensemble

— Eucharist —

INVITATION TO OFFERING PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.

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