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**March 20, 2022 – Third Sunday of Lent**

**WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

***Gathering Song***

Called by Earth and Sky

MV 135

*(R) Called by earth and sky,  
promise of hope held high.  
This is our sacred living trust,  
treasure of life sanctified,  
called by earth and sky.*

*Precious these waters, endless seas,  
deep ocean's dream,  
waters of healing, rivers of rain,  
the wash of love again. (R)*

*Precious this gift, the air we breathe;  
wind born and free.  
Breath of the Spirit, blow through this place,  
our gathering and our grace. (R)*

**Worship Call (based on Isaiah 55)**

Everyone who thirsts, come to the water.

***Even if we have no money to buy, can we drink and eat?***

Come buy wine and milk without any price.

***We are parched and come to be refreshed.***

***We are hungry and come to be fed.***

Who calls us to such a feast?

***God calls us to be filled with good things, so that we might live as people renewed.***

***Let us feast together in worship.***

**Acknowledging the Land**

**Candle Lighting**



## Opening Prayer

*Divine architect, you call us together to worship, just as we are.  
We cannot pretend to be what we are not, because you know us.  
In our weakness, we come with prayers for strength.  
In our strength, we come with prayers for humility.  
Open our hearts that we might pray with honesty and await your answers with renewed faith. Amen.*

## And Now For Something Completely Different

**Sing**

I am Walking a Path of Peace

MV 221

*I am walking a path of peace*

*I am walking a path of peace*

*I am walking a path of peace*

*lead me home, lead me home.*

*I am walking a path of grace*

*I am walking a path of grace*

*I am walking a path of grace*

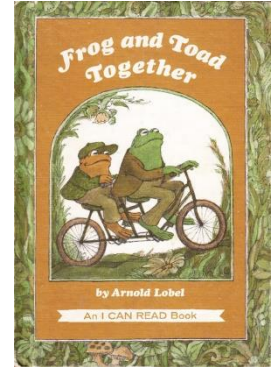
*lead me home, lead me home.*

*I am walking a path of love*

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*lead me home, lead me home.*



## WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

### Prayer of Illumination



*Join with us, living God, as we meet around your word and reflect upon it.  
Encourage us, inspire us. Amen.*

**Luke 13:1-9**

**New Revised Standard Version**

**Gift of music**

*I Dreamed of Rain*

*Jan Garrett*

**Sermon**

A Little Manure



**Sing**

In the Bulb there is a Flower

VU 703

*In the bulb there is a flower;  
in the seed, an apple tree;  
in cocoons, a hidden promise:  
butterflies will soon be free!  
In the cold and snow of winter  
there's a spring that waits to be,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.*

*There's a song in every silence,  
seeking word and melody;  
there's a dawn in every darkness,  
bringing hope to you and me.  
From the past will come the future;  
what it holds, a mystery,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.*

*In our end is our beginning;  
in our time, infinity;  
in our doubt there is believing;  
in our life, eternity.  
In our death, a resurrection;  
at the last, a victory,  
unrevealed until its season,  
something God alone can see.*

### **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

#### **Responding to God and Community**

**Sing** our response:

You Will Be Done

MV 151

*Your will be done, be done on earth. (x3)  
Your will be done on earth. Your will be done on earth.*

*Mayenziwe 'ntando yakho (x5)*

#### **Praying for people and the world**

**Sing**

For the Fruit of All Creation

VU 227

*For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.  
For the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.  
For the ploughing, sowing, reaping,  
silent growth while we are sleeping,  
future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.*

*In the just reward of labour, God's will is done.  
In the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done.  
In our worldwide task of caring  
for the hungry and despairing,  
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.*

*For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.  
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.  
For the wonders that astound us,  
for the truths that still confound us,  
most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.*

### **Benediction & Commissioning**



### ***Sing blessing***

### **Go Now in Peace**

*Go Now in Peace, never be afraid;  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith steadfast and true;  
Know God will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love and show you believe;  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above,  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.*