

Gathering

VT 3 [Gathered Here](#)

Gathering silence

Welcome and Birthday Recognition

VT 411 [All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name](#)

Offering ourselves and our money

Peace Lamp

L: Beloved, let us love one another

P: For God is love, and love casts out fear.

Offering - VT 610 [Precious Lord, Take My Hand](#)*

Prayer of Confession from Cole Arthur Riley

L: Christ, transform our hungers

P: Let our desire be for justice

Telling God's Story

Children's time

Scripture Reading from Mark 13

L: The stories of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon

Response - VT 412 [My Soul Cries Out](#)

Sharing our Stories

Sermon response/Sharing from our lives

Pastoral Prayer

Sending

Introduction of Visitors

Announcements (*If you have an announcement that pertains to the whole congregation, please get it in writing to the worship leader.*)

Benediction

VT 839B [Go, My Friends, in Peace](#)

Thanks to: Worship Leader: Patricia Ebersole Zwier; Song Leader: Hannah Lehman; Musicians: Bev Lapp, Leah Hochstetler, Ben Good-Elliott; Peace lamp: Deb Johnston; Scripture Readers: Jim, Casey and Sloan Stump; Children's time: Maria Wenger; Sermon: Scott Coulter; Children's Response Time: Carla Gull, Chris Stump; Pastoral sharing and prayer: Anna Yoder Schlabach; Tech Crew: Marshall King, Patrick Coonan; Cover art: Alice Kauffman; Visuals: Jerry Lapp, "Palm Sunday: Impending Dark, Approaching Storm"

Second hour: Supporting Education in Our Community

HEARING ASSISTANCE

This worship space has two systems to help people with hearing loss participate more fully in our life together.

1. FM system. Get a receiver and an ear speaker from the sound booth.
2. Hearing Loop accessed by hearing aids with t-coils. Find a seat in the worship space and turn on the t-coils

*Martin Luther King, Jr., chose "Precious Lord" by Thomas Andrew Dorsey, who was considered the father of African American Gospel, as one of the freedom anthems of the Civil Rights Movement. On the chilly evening of April 4, 1968, Martin Luther King Jr. stood on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tenn. He was preparing to leave for dinner, and looking down in the parking lot, he saw saxophonist Ben Branch, who was going to perform at the dinner. Seconds before a bullet struck, King spoke his last words. "Ben, make sure you play 'Precious Lord, Take My Hand' at the meeting tonight," King said. "Play it real pretty." Also at his request, Mahalia Jackson sang this hymn at the March on Washington and then at King's funeral.

Prayer of Jesus

Holy One, our only Home,
blessed be your name.
May your day dawn,
your will be done,
here, as in heaven.
Feed us today, and forgive us
as we forgive each other.
Do not forsake us at the test,
but deliver us from evil.
For the glory, the power,
and the mercy are yours,
now and forever.
Amen

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Lent 5: "Shifting the Scales of Justice"