

Praising Turns to Taunting: Jesus is Condemned

April 3, 2022 Fifth Sunday of Lent

A Time to Center

Prelude Music Grounding Moment

As earth turns from sunrise to sundown
As seasons turn seamlessly from one to another
As our lives turn from praise to pain and back to praise again
So we turn toward God in worship.
In our homes
In our workplaces
In our beds
At our kitchen tables.

We bring all that we are All that we long to be And we lay it before God. As we turn toward God We discover the miraculous promise That God is already turned toward us. Exactly where we are.

A Time to Gather

Welcome & Announcements

HYMN Praise to the Lord, the Almighty HWB 37

CONFESSION + **FORGIVENESS** (from Ecclesiastes)

LEADER: As one season turns to another in the miracle of creation. so we turn our hearts to God, who turns our mourning into dancing and our brokenness into grace upon grace.

ALL (sung) – *Kyrie*, *kyrie*, *eleison* HWB 152 (*Lord*, *have mercy*)

LEADER: To everything there is a season,

and now is the season for turning

ALL: We turn to God with broken relationships

LEADER: Now is a time for healing

ALL: We turn to God with regrets we have held too long

LEADER: Now is a time for releasing

ALL: We turn to God with despair for what the world has become

LEADER: Now is a time for hoping

ALL: We turn to God with sighs too deep for words.

ALL (sung) – Kyrie, kyrie, eleison HWB 152 (Lord, have mercy)

LEADER: God declares to all people, now is the time for grace

Your sins are forgiven, your brokenness made whole.

Receive through Jesus Christ grace upon grace.

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Suffering God, you were turned into a criminal – condemned despite your innocence. When people in our world face unjust systems, help us to stand against injustice,

bring truth to light, and demand dignity and justice for all people. Amen.

A Time to Reflect

Lighting the Peace Lamp & Praying for God's Peace **Children's Time**

Scripture Readings

Psalm 146; John 19:1-16a

Sermon

A Time to Pray

Turning to God in prayer, we pour out our hearts, confident in God's promise to hear and receive.

Music for Meditation

Prayers of the People (with Lord's Prayer)

Response: LEADER: Lord, hear our prayer. ALL: We turn to you, O God.

A Time to Give

Celebrating ways faith in Jesus leads to generosity toward others.

Generosity Moment Prayer

A Time to Be Sent

SENDING HYMN God of grace and God of glory HWB 366

Benediction

May God's face turn toward you
And shine on you.
May God's unrelenting love
Give you strength on the hard days
And courage to turn toward compassion
For all who are hurting.
In the name of Jesus, who turns toward the cross
Bringing healing and hope for the world. Amen.

Postlude... remain seated to receive the postlude as a musical sending and blessing. Fellowship time follows worship, with Sunday School beginning at 11:00am.

Our Lent Worship services this year are adapted from liturgies prepared by Worship-Well, based on the Narrative Lectionary texts. Used with permission.

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Scripture Reader: Marlene Thode
Children's Time: Nick Krehbiel
Sermon: Pastor Jim Unruh

WELCOME!!

We are so glad you are here!

EASTER 2022 (April 17):

9:00am Potluck breakfast/brunch

bring your own table service & food to share

10:00am WORSHIP

ALL CHURCH GROUP PHOTO following worship

(no Sunday School)

LENT 2022 - TURNING

Artwork: Holly Welch



John's Gospel invites us into a season of intentional turning. Our hearts turn with compassion for those who grieve. Our lives turn toward our neighbor in acts of solidarity and service. Our eyes turn toward the cross and we see Jesus turning the world upside down with love.

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