

The Order of Worship

3-8-2017

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER SERVICE

OPENING PRAYER

Create in me, a clean heart O God,
Let me be like you in all my ways.
Give me your strength,
Teach me your song,
Shelter me in the shadow of your wing.
For we are your righteousness, if we die to ourselves and live through your death.
Then we shall be born again to be blessed in your love.

John Michael Talbot

OPENING SENTENCES:

Leader: O Lord, open my lips.
People: Any my mouth shall proclaim your praise.
Leader: Give me a pure heart
People: that I may see Thee,
Leader: A humble heart
People: that I may hear Thee,
Leader: A heart of love
People: that I may serve Thee,
Leader: A heart of faith
People: that I may abide in Thee.

SILENT MEDITATION

HYMN Within Our Darkest Night

Dans nos obscurités

Leader will sing through once, then all repeat three times.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 27

SILENT MEDITATION ON THE SCRIPTURE

Intercession for Lent:

Leader: Jesus, remember us when you come into your kingdom. Hear our intercessions.
For your church around the world,

People: we ask new life.

Leader: For all who carry out ministries in your church,

People: we ask grace and wisdom.

Leader: For people who have accepted spiritual disciplines,

People: we ask inspired discipleship.

Leader: For Christians of every land,

People: we ask new unity in your name.

Leader: For Jews and Muslims and people of other faiths,

People: we ask your divine blessing.

Leader: For those who cannot believe,

People: we ask your faithful love.

Leader: For governors and rulers in every land,

People: we ask your guidance.

Leader: For people who suffer and sorrow,

People: we ask your healing peace.

(Prayer continues ...)

SILENCE:

(Leader concludes the silence...)

Gracious God, there is no pain or suffering in our hearts or in our planet that you do not know, and there is no place that cannot be touched by your resurrection presence. Lead and guide us throughout our Lenten journey, that we might continue to grow into your way of love; a love which connects us with all living things and continually sows seeds of hope; a love shown to us through Christ our Lord ...

HYMN Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

(Leader will sing through once, then all repeat three times.)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

MUSICAL OFFERING Abide With Me arr. Moses Hogan

Meredith Mackay, Caroline Rowcliffe, Lisa Ellis, Jan Barber,
John Johnson, John Harrison, Will Bendy, John Hankins, Peter Van Eenam

THE BENEDICTION:

Leader: May the Lord, who is our peace, give us peace at all times and in every way.

People: Amen.

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Pass the peace with one another as you leave)

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