

# WORSHIP<sup>†</sup>

April 2, 2017

8:00 AM

Border Chapel

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

## GATHERING WORDS

Bread for the world; a world of hunger.  
**May we who eat be bread for others.**

Wine for all peoples; people who thirst.  
**May we who drink pour out your love.**

## SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 7: 13-29

"Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road is easy[a] that leads to destruction, and there are many who take it. For the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it. "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles? In the same way, every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Thus you will know them by their fruits. "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven. On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many deeds of power in your name?' Then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; go away from me, you evildoers.' "Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!" Now when Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

## REFLECTION

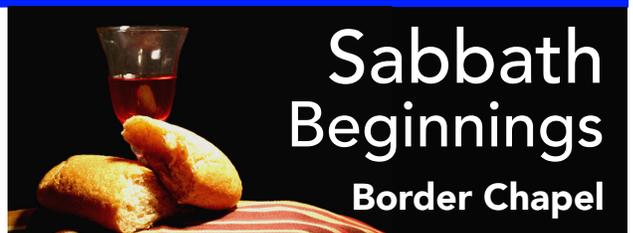
## UNISON PRAYER

**Loving God, in our driven, anxious world, we often wonder about your word in Jesus that we are not to be anxious. He talked to people who had every right to be anxious. Most of them were poor, and dominated by the rich and powerful. Yet Jesus told them that they were not to be anxious, that he came to bring peace. That is still his message to us today. Our guide through Lent suggests that a big part of our problem is that we do not realize how deeply you love us, God, that you want us to truly trust that love. Guide us to a deep trust and daily living that brings that peace, that the world cannot give. Guide us as we pray in Jesus' name. Amen**



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**Sabbath  
Beginnings**  
**Border Chapel**

## In Our Prayers This Week

### Deaths

Leonard Koch, father of Kristin Koch-Wahl  
Tom Ludlow  
Claire Milligan, mother of Michelle DeVaughn  
Caroline Pilgram

### In Hospital

Ruth Bartholow  
Bonnie Tjaden

### Care Centers

Deborah Richardson  
Jane Sieff

### Hospice

Marie Cross

### Recovering at Home

Deloris Brain

### Prayer Requests

Loren Anderson  
JoAnn Hanson  
Keith Howard, father of Adam Howard  
Keith Sjoquist

## Sunday Worship

**Sabbath Beginnings 8:00 AM**  
*Communion*

**Sacred Journey 8:30 AM**  
*Creation Spirituality*

**Traditional Worship 10:00 AM**  
*Organ, Choir*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Note persons listed on this page.*

God, in your mercy.../Thanks be to God...  
**hear our prayer.**

## SILENT PRAYER

## HYMN NO. 484

*Kyrie, Kyrie Eleison*

*Lord, may we know your compassion.*

## SHARING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...we praise your name and join in their unending hymn:

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

...as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died;**

**Christ is risen;**

**Christ will come again.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for  
thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.**

**Amen**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## PARTING WORDS

**In the busyness of this day  
Grant us a stillness of seeing, O God.  
In the conflicting voices of my heart  
Grant us a calmness of hearing.**