FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

11:00am

Sunday, March 14, 2021

Gathering

Greeting and Announcements

\*Call to Worship **(responsively):**

**L: With friends and strangers, with family and neighbors, we gather:**

**P: COME AMONG US, HEALING GOD, WITH THAT LOVE WHICH NEVER ENDS.**

**L: With faith reaching out to touch, with hearts straining to trust, we hope:**

**P: COME AMONG US, FRIEND OF THE BROKEN, WITH YOUR COMPASSION WHICH MAKES US WHOLE.**

**L: With Word and wonder, with silence and song, we wait:**

**P: COME AMONG US, DRYER OF OUR TEARS, TO LIFT US TO OUR FEET TO FOLLOW YOU.**

\*Opening Song of Praise ***Wake***

The Ritual of the Lenten Candles

\*Song of Praise ***Cornerstone***

Prayer of Confession **(in unison):**

**WE WANT TO TOUCH THE HEM OF YOUR GARMENT, O GOD. FORGIVE US FOR BEING AFRAID TO TOUCH THOSE WHO COME TO US FOR HOPE. WE WANT TO LOVE THE WHOLE WORLD. FORGIVE US FOR IGNORING OUR NEIGHBOR. WE LONG FOR PEACE. FORGIVE US FOR THE PAIN WE INFLICT ON OUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS. WE WANT TO SHARE WITH THOSE WE LOVE AND LIKE. FORGIVE US FOR WALKING PAST THOSE WHO NEED YOU MOST. FORGIVE US, LOVING GOD, THAT WE DO NOT EXCEL IN EVERYTHING YOU CALL US TO DO. GIVE US GRACE … TO TOUCH THOSE WHO FRIGHTEN US … TO CARRY THE BREAD OF LIFE TO THE HUNGRY … TO OFFER THE BLESSINGS OF THE KINGDOM TO EVERYONE WE MEET … JUST AS YOU HAVE GRACED US IN CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD AND SAVIOR. AMEN.**

Silent Prayer and Words of Assurance

A Word to the Children **Heather Connor**

\*Gospel Lesson ***Mark 5:25-34***

Witness to the Word **“*It’s Tough To Be Tender”* Rev. L. Kim Eanes**

\*Song of Praise  ***King of My Heart***

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer Concerns, Pastoral Prayer, the Lord’s Prayer #895

\*Closing Song of Praise ***Your Promises***

\*Dismissal with Blessing

**\*Please stand as you are able**