

all angels' church

MORNING PRAYER: Rite Two
The First Sunday in Lent

February 21, 2021, 10:00AM



“The Word from the Father” (John 1:9-14, 16-18)

About Lent Season

Early Christians observed “a season of penitence and fasting” in preparation for the Paschal feast, or Pascha (BCP, pp. 264-265). In the western church the forty days of Lent extend from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday, omitting Sundays. The last three days of Lent are the sacred Triduum of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. All Christians are invited “to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God’s holy Word” (BCP, p. 265). We refrain from reciting the “Alleluia” to mark this Lenten season and instead attend to the characteristic notes of Lent – self-examination, penitence, self-denial, study, and preparation for Easter, to which almsgiving has traditionally been added.

Meditation | *Hand Over Sea*

Film by Ben Stamper

A meditation on the splitting of the Red Sea with text consolidated from the book of Exodus.

Silent Procession

Please stand. The procession will take place in silence.

Opening Acclamation

Joel 2:13, BCP 76

Officiant Rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil.

Confession of Sin

BCP 79

Officiant Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence may be kept

Kyrie

Kyr-i-e E le-i-son. Christe E le-i-son. Kyr-i-e E le-i-son.

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All **Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Absolution

BCP 80

Officiant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All Amen.

Opening Versicle

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

All And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Officiant The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.

All Come let us adore him.

Venite

Psalm 95:1-7, BCP 82

**All Come, let us sing to the Lord;
 let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
 and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God,
 and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth,
 and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it,
 and his hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,
 and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

**For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

Officiant The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.

All **Come let us adore him.**

The Psalm

Psalm 25:1-9

Refrain

No one whose hope is in You will ev-er be put to shame,
My hope is in You all day long.

Text from Psalm 25, New International Version. © 2019 Seth Little

Lector To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you;
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
Let none who look to you be put to shame;
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
Show me your ways, O Lord,
and teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.

All *Refrain*

Lector Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.
Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.
Gracious and upright is the Lord;
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
He guides the humble in doing right
and teaches his way to the lowly.
All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

All *Refrain*

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The First Reading

Genesis 9:8–17, read by Johna Hansen

Lector A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, “As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 14 | A Song of Penitence

Prayer of Manasseh, 1-2, 4, 6-7, 11-15, BCP 90

Lector O Lord and Ruler of the hosts of heaven,
 God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,
 and of all their righteous offspring:
You made the heavens and the earth,
 with all their vast array.
All things quake with fear at your presence;
 they tremble because of your power.
But your merciful promise is beyond all measure;
 it surpasses all that our minds can fathom.
O Lord, you are full of compassion,
 long-suffering, and abounding in mercy.
You hold back your hand;
 you do not punish as we deserve.
In your great goodness, Lord,
you have promised forgiveness to sinners,
 that they may repent of their sin and be saved.
And now, O Lord, I bend the knee of my heart,
 and make my appeal, sure of your gracious goodness.
I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned,
 and I know my wickedness only too well.
Therefore I make this prayer to you:
 Forgive me, Lord, forgive me.
Do not let me perish in my sin,
 nor condemn me to the depths of the earth.
For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent,
 and in me you will show forth your goodness.
Unworthy as I am, you will save me,
in accordance with your great mercy,
 and I will praise you without ceasing all the days of my life.
For all the powers of heaven sing your praises,
 and yours is the glory to ages of ages. Amen.

**All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Second Reading

1 Peter 3:18–22, read by Fred Dixon

Lector A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn | “Mighty To Save”

1. Everyone needs compassion

Love that's never failing

Let mercy fall on me

Everyone needs forgiveness

The kindness of a Savior

The hope of nations

Savior, he can move the mountains

My God is mighty to save

He is mighty to save

Forever author of salvation

He rose and conquered the grave

Jesus conquered the grave

2. So take me as You find me
All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow
Everything I believe in
Now I surrender

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The Holy Gospel

John 1:9-14, 16-18

Lector A Reading from the Gospel according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

Lector The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon | The Word from the Father

Rev. Jimmy Lawrence

The Apostles' Creed

BCP 96

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the Virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again.
 He ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 97

Officiant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

All **Our Father, 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,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Suffrages B (*Prayed responsively*)

BCP 98

- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.
- V. Day by day we bless you;
R. We praise your name for ever.
- V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
- V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
R. For we put our trust in you.
- V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
R. And we shall never hope in vain.

The Collect for the First Sunday in Lent

BCP 218, read by Fred Dixon

Officiant Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Collect for Rule of Life

Rev. Jimmy Lawrence

Officiant Heavenly Father, Lord of all creation, by your Spirit you are ever present in our daily routines and habits: give us grace to discipline ourselves in accordance with your will, and form in us a new heart which produces the fruits of your Spirit, that through this rule of life we may be transformed into the image of your Son. For we are the work of your hands, created to do the work of your Kingdom through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Collect for the Mission of the Church

BCP 100

All Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of the People

CW:TS H2, adapted

Officiant We pray to the Lord for courage to give up other things
and to give ourselves to him this Lent.

We now invite your prayers and intercessions in the chat.

Give your Church the courage
to give up her preoccupation with herself
and to give more time to your mission in the world.

We pray for Michael, our presiding bishop, Andrew, Mary, Allen, our diocesan bishops,
leaders of our churches.

May the blood and water flowing from the side of Jesus
bring forgiveness to your people

and help us to face the cost of proclaiming salvation.

Lord, meet us in the silence,

All **give us strength and hear our prayer.**

Give your world the courage

to give up war, bitterness and hatred,

and to seek peace.

We pray for Youth who participate in their peacemaking workshop with Rose Castle.

May the shoulders of the risen Jesus,

once scourged by soldiers,

bear the burden of political and military conflict in our world.

Lord, meet us in the silence,

All **give us strength and hear our prayer.**

Give us the courage to give up quarrels, strife and jealousy

in our families, neighborhoods and communities.

We pray for the leaders of our country,

president Joe Biden and vice president Kamala Harris, rule with righteousness.

May the presence of the risen Jesus,

his body once broken and now made whole,

bring peace and direction as we live with one another.

Lord, meet us in the silence,

All **give us strength and hear our prayer.**

Give us the courage

to give up our selfishness as we live for others,

and to give time, care and comfort to the sick.

[We pray for ...]

May the wounded hands of Jesus bring his healing touch,
and the light of his presence fill their rooms.

Lord, meet us in the silence,

All **give us strength and hear our prayer.**

Give us the courage to give up our fear of death
and to rejoice with those who have died in faith.

[Especially, we hold ... in our minds.]

May the feet of the risen Lord Jesus, once nailed to the cross,
walk alongside the dying and bereaved in their agony,
and walk with us and all your Church
through death to the gate of glory.

Lord, meet us in the silence,

All **give us strength and hear our prayer,
here and in eternity.**

Amen.

Announcements

Keith Kallen

The Blessing

CW:TS 135

Officiant Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;
and the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you, and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn | “How Long?”

1. How long will You turn Your face away?
How long? Do You hear us when we pray?
On and on, still we walk this pilgrim way,
How long?

2. How long 'til Your children find their rest?
How long 'til You draw them to Your breast?
We go on, holding to Your promises,
How long?

*'Til You wipe away the tears from ev'ry eye;
'Til we see our home descending from the sky;
Do we wait in vain?
Jesus give us hope again!*

3. How long 'til Your word will still the storm?
How long 'til You bare Your mighty arm?
How we groan 'til You snatch us from the thorns,
How long?

4. How long? Sweet the dawn that ends the race;
How long? Weak our hearts but strong our legs;
Looking on, great that cloud of witnesses,
How long?

Amen, Jesus come!

Amen, Jesus come!

Amen, Jesus come!

The Peace

Officiant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Coffee Hour Zoom

Want to connect with friends? Meet people you haven't seen for a while? Find out who's new in church? Meet the old-timers? Share about life? Join us on Zoom just **5 minutes after the Sunday morning service** and bring your own coffee! [Click the Zoom link here to join.](#)

Youth Ministries: Rose Castle Foundation Sessions

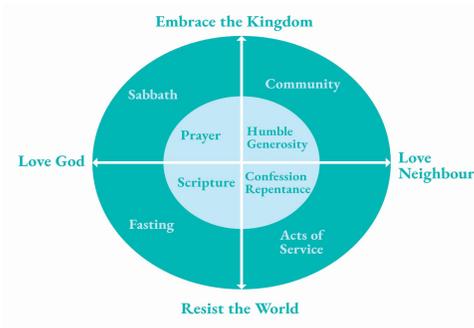
All Angels' high school youth continue their 2021 peacemaking journey through virtual workshops with Rose Castle Foundation today, **Sunday, February 21, 10:30am-12:30pm.** During seven sessions led by Rose Castle staff and joined by youth from the Muslim Community Network, our partners in peacemaking, the youth will engage a process to help us re-imagine hospitality from the vantage point of "the other." Check out the [Rose Castle website](#) for more information.

Rule of Life

A Rule of Life is a framework by which a community can engage in the same habits together.

Our habits are the foundation of our life. If we do something for long enough it becomes part of who we are and changes us. Habits form character over time. Habitual lying and eventually you become a liar. Habitual giving and eventually you become generous. A Rule of Life is an intentional habit of spiritual disciplines that provides structure and direction for growth in Christlikeness. It's a set of habits that disciples of Jesus do together to become more like him over time.

As a community we are going to cultivate habits which form our characters to be more Christlike. Four weekly habits: Sabbath, Community, Fasting and Acts of Service and four daily habits: Prayer, Scripture, Humble Generosity and Confession and Repentance.



Announcements

All Angels' Arts Journal & Guided Tour Event

In case you missed it, the All Angels' Arts Journal, Vol. 1 went live last week! Visit www.allangelsarts.com to view this digital publication and experience art works by All Angels' parishioners (and clergy!) curated by our arts ministry intern, Seth Trouwborst. **Join Seth T. and Seth Little for a guided tour of the Arts Journal on Wednesday, February 24 at 7:00pm via Zoom.** Register in advance for this event by clicking [this link](#).

Community Ministries: Love Your Neighbor This February

Love your neighbor this February by donating to CM! **We're in need of some specific items for our Pathways participants including travel size hand sanitizer and hand warmers.** If you're able to come alongside us to meet these needs, we'd love your support as we seek to love and care for our community. You can find more items to donate for our ongoing services and COVID-19 response on [our Amazon wishlists here](#). Thank you!

Psalm 91 Relief Fund

For those needing financial relief in the midst of this pandemic, our Psalm 91 relief fund is available. These funds are here to help. Apply by [filling out this form](#) and emailing it to relief@allangelschurch.com.

Covid-19 Task Force: Vaccine Assistance

Are you eligible for a Covid-19 vaccine and would like help getting an appointment? The Covid-19 task force is ready with information and willing hands. We can do anything from scheduling a vaccine on your behalf to sharing info about appointment websites. We also welcome hearing from volunteers who can help with bookings or might be able to accompany a parishioner to a vaccine appointment. To get help or offer help, please email covid19@allangelschurch.com.

Meal Ministry

Covid might have us down, but there's lots to celebrate - yet another baby joining the All Angels family! Here is [the link to the registry](#). The meals ministry is a wonderful way to periodically serve your community in times of joy and sorrow by providing meals to community members after welcoming new babies, having surgeries, or any other need. **We always need more volunteers!** You will get a link to a registry as needs arise. Homemade meals are of course welcome, but delivery works too if you live far away or don't cook! This is a helpful, easy way to serve our community. Please add your name to the registry by emailing kerry.salvatierra@gmail.com.

Lenten Prayer 2021 Schedule: Thursday Feb 18th - Saturday March 27th

To help us explore the “Rule of Life” together during Lent, we have numerous half-hour communal prayer times that will be offered via Zoom. We invite you to explore a new prayer practice or deepen into a more regular habit, all the while enjoying connecting with fellow parishioners. <https://allangelschurch.com/lentenprayer/>.

Day	Time	Prayer practice	Co-facilitators	Links for Meeting (or registration)
Sunday	9 - 9:45 AM	Contemplative Prayer Group	Jen Knight & Amy Newman	Sign up here
Monday	8:30 - 9 AM	Musical Meditation & Prayer	Philip Sheegog & Lana Norris	Zoom link Passcode: music
Monday	7 - 7:20 PM	Children’s Daily Examen (parents welcome)	MaryEllen Lehmann	Register in advance for this meeting Receive email confirmation. Join with camera on.
Monday	7:30 - 8 PM	Night-Time Prayer for 4/5th grade Girls	Abby & Serena	Email Mary Ellen Lehmann for link: melehmann@allangelschurch.com
Tuesday	9:15 - 9:45 AM	Lectio Divina with Community Ministries	Chelsea Horvath, Lana Norris & Dongmyung Ahn	Zoom link Passcode: 122371
Wednesday	8:30 - 9 AM	Morning Prayer	John Schmidt	Zoom link Passcode: office
Wednesday	9:30 - 10 PM	Evening Examen	Carolyn Carney & Karina Glaser	Zoom link Passcode: 741087
Thursday	12:30 - 1 PM	Intercessory Prayer with AAC focus	Funmi Akintayo-Mullis & Dan Glaser	Zoom link Passcode: b6PT9Q
Thursday	6 - 6:30 PM	Visio-Divina	Seth Trouwborst & Amy Newman	Zoom link Passcode: 166656
Thursday	7 - 7:30 PM	Children’s Daily Devotion (parents welcome, bring colored pencils)	Gina Lapinski & Abi Fasehun	Register for Zoom Link Receive email confirmation. Join with camera on.
Friday	12:30 - 1 PM	Intercessory Prayer with racial justice focus	Jordan Wesley & Courtney Bryant	Zoom link Passcode: 572336

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Community Ministries

During COVID-19 pandemic

Pathways Drop-In Program
Tuesdays & Thursdays

Must wear a mask. Available inside.



8:00am-2:00pm

Shower Service

Limited to 24, ticket required

Mail Pick-Up Service



9:00am-11:00am

To-Go Food Service

While supplies last

Outdoor Coffee Station



9:00am

Morning Prayer Service

Tuesday Only



9:00am-2:00pm

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ALL ANGELS HOUSE CHURCHES & MEET-UPS

Upper West Side (1) meets Mondays in the evening on Zoom. We are singles and couples and include people newer to All Angels and people who have been around the church for 10+ years. We typically follow some sort of guided study that doesn't require much (if any) outside reading, and we intersperse topical conversations/study with spiritual practices like lectio divina, examen, extemporaneous prayer, and compline. We try to "meet" 1x a month to play and relax together as well. **Jordan Wesley and Ryan Sears**

Upper West Side (2) meets monthly, currently on Zoom. Most of our 14 members have been together for twenty years. Our age range is folks from 50yr to 90yr. so our interests and concerns are with our adult children and aging issues, either with current medical problems or aging parents. **Paul and Mary Johnson**

Upper West Side (3) is a multi-generational house church that currently meets every Tuesday evening on Zoom to study scripture, pray for each other, share our stories, highs and lows. We laugh together, weep together, love together, and try to follow Jesus more closely together. **John Wagner and Abigail Hartley**

Bergen County NJ house church is a family friendly group that meets monthly, often on the first Saturday of the month. With better weather, we've been meeting in a local park in Ridgewood, but soon we'll return to Zoom meetings. We often study a topic together over the course of a few months and fellowship together over a meal (even over Zoom). Lately we've been offering a corresponding youth conversation for the 5th -9th graders in our house church. **Kimberly Malone and Joe Solway**

Jersey City does not have a formal "house church" but a group of people meet regularly for live/Zoom church with potluck brunch on Sunday mornings and outside or on Zoom periodically for other All Angels events-related get-togethers.

Richard and Kathryn Narramore

Uptown House Church is a multi-generational and diverse group of people who live in northern Manhattan and the Bronx. Before the pandemic our structure consisted of a pot luck meal followed by prayer, compline prayer, a Bible study or book study. We met weekly from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesday in Harlem. Since the pandemic, we have been meeting from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Zoom but have had several outdoor and socially distanced gatherings. We also spend time fellowshiping with one another outside of our normal meeting time.

Jeff Mays and Yavonne Robinson

East Harlem house church meets fortnightly (every other week) on Tuesdays from 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM. We offer casual group meetings via Zoom focused on fellowship and prayer. **Johnathan and Johna Hansen**

Brooklyn house church meets weekly on Thursdays at 7pm. It is a multigenerational group diverse in background and work, but united in our love of God, pastoring to one another, laughter, and socially-distant picnics. We don't back away from discussing difficult topics or the occasional nerd-out, but always in the most relaxed and supportive way possible. And you don't have to live in Brooklyn to join – our in-person meeting location is on the first stop in Brooklyn of several subway lines so we're not as far away as you think! **Pam Wong**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND/OR TO BE CONNECTED TO A HOUSE CHURCH
PLEASE EMAIL housechurch@allangelschurch.com**

This service conforms to *Morning Prayer Rite II*, beginning on page 78 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the Book of Occasional Services (BOS). Scripture readings are appointed by the Revised Common Lectionary (Episcopal) and are excerpted from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) of the Bible. Psalm texts are taken from the Book of Common Prayer. Other liturgical elements may include materials from publications including Common Worship: Times and Seasons (CW:TS). CCLI License #53025.

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