

February 21, 2021

9:30AM

First Sunday of Lent

“Treasure”



Scottsdale United Methodist Church

...becoming a Christ-led community.

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GATHER

People gather around Jesus as his reputation becomes known from town to town. As we gather virtually or physically, we too are yearning for presence, for peace, for help.

GREETING

THRESHOLD

**Vessels, holy and whole
Broken, needing the One
Open, body and soul
Healer, come.**

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APPROACH

People opened their lives to Jesus. We are drawn to the Healer—opening our hearts with honesty about our lives and finding assurance that offers peace.

OPENING PRAYER OF CONFESSION

After a time of silent prayer:

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ASSURANCE

THE PEACE

Liturgist: The peace of Christ is with you.

People: **And also with you.**

HYMN:

“Healer of Our Every Ill”

TFWS 2213

BELIEVE

People were fortified by Jesus’ words and deeds that revealed care for all—especially those marginalized. We strengthen our belief in the possibility of renewed health and vigor for all.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

A CONTEMPORARY WORD

MUSICAL PROCLAMATION: “Sacred the Body”

TFWS 2228

ANCIENT WORD: GOSPEL

Matthew 8:1-4, 16-17

SERMON:

“Treasures”

Rev. Ann Lyter

ASK

People who were healed by Jesus were not afraid to ask. And so we come before the Holy One, making our petitions and desires known, trusting the work of the Spirit.

PRAYER SONG: “Heal Us, Emmanuel, Hear Our Prayer” (v.1)

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We will begin and end our time of prayer with this song.

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

KNOW

The parting words Jesus gave to those he healed were often as much balm as the healing act itself. We hear words of encouragement from the One who makes beauty from brokenness.

RITUAL ACTION FOR THE WEEK

For this time of Ritual Action each week, you will want to have your sea glass.

RESPOND

Scriptural accounts of healing often end with responses from the “crowd” of witnesses. How will we proceed into the brokenness of this world and respond as the Body of Christ?

HYMN: “Jesus, Savior, Lord, to You I Come (Saranam, Saranam)”

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COMMISSION

BENEDICTION

THRESHOLD INTO THE WORLD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: You can give your tithes and offerings online through our website www.scottsdaleumc.org or mail them to SUMC, 4140 N. Miller Rd., Scottsdale AZ 85251.

DSC Campus Ministry Sunday: This Sunday, 2/21/2021, our conference is showing support for campus ministry. Students are struggling now because their jobs are the ones that were eliminated with COVID. Campus ministry is providing food and support for these students who are struggling. Designate your gift, "Campus Ministry" and we will see that your gift supports this important ministry. For more information about Campus Ministry, see the video on our Facebook page.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Gatherings 4 Good are back! We will have winter/spring Gatherings, every other Wednesday at 5:30 pm. Because of COVID, we will be gathering on Zoom. Zoom will allow us to see each other, catch up and share what is happening in our lives and share prayer concerns.

Gathering 4 Good will be **February 24**. We will be gathering on Zoom to share in our favorite hymns. You will want to have a hymnal, make sure your speakers work and have a favorite dinner and beverage. Because of the limitations of Zoom, we won't be able to hear everyone sing, but we will hear the background music and be able to sing right where we are! Some people might think being able to sing and not have to worry about being heard is a good thing! But the best part is we will be able to see each other, hear and sing our favorite hymns.

For information about additional Gatherings 4 Good, see the newsletter. To join our Gatherings 4 Good, go to www.bookapew.com/app/az/sumc and register. You can also call the church office. The Zoom link will be sent to you. To be seen in the Zoom meeting you will need a computer or cellphone with a camera.

A Study for Healing and Mental Health: The Sanctuary Course

Our focus in Lent is going to be on healing and recovery. The Sanctuary Course is an eight-part course is designed to raise awareness and start conversations regarding mental health and includes an optional ninth session on COVID. This course is for...

- People with questions about mental health
- Mental health professionals with a wealth of knowledge to share
- Leaders who want to engage their community in mental health conversations
- People supporting loved ones with mental health problems
- People living with mental health problems



The course will include 8 weekly Zoom meetings on Monday evenings at 6:30 pm, beginning on 2/22. There is also a special session on COVID and mental health on 2/15. See the newsletter for more information. You can register for this class, like the Gathering 4 Good, at www.bookapew.com/app/az/sumc.