

First Presbyterian Church of Anaheim

Order of Worship for Online Service:

Sunday March 22, 2020 at 10:30 am.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

A Time of Centering Prayer by David Adams

Lord, help us to relax.

Take from us the tension that makes peace impossible.

Take from us the fears that do not allow us to venture.

Take from us the worries that blind our sight.

Take from us the distress that hides your joy.

Help us to know that we are with you,

that we are in your care, that we are in your love,

that we are one in you and with you.

LIGHTING OF THE LENT CANDLE

In this season of Lent we reflect on our journey of faith with Christ, remembering that life was brought forth from the ground of our creation, and that new life for one man was created when Jesus took mud from the ground and made a blind man see. As his eyes were opened for the first time, so our eyes are opened to the need for hope and healing in our world. We light this candle on this fourth Sunday of Lent, remembering God's promise for all of us: new life here on earth and eternal life hereafter.

(The candle is lit followed by a moment for silent reflection)

PRAYER

As the days lengthen, dear God, may we know that it is you who heals and gives us new life, that we might know your love and peace, and share your love with the world. In the name of Christ, with whom we journey towards the cross, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE & SERMON

John 9:1-41 "When Life Gets Muddy"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(Please join by adding your prayers in the comment section below)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

"Let Your Servant Now Go in Peace"

Taizé, from "Joy on Earth" album