

Midweek Lenten Series: Created For Community

February 24

Prelude: *Out of the Depths*

Zachow

Theme: **In community with creation**

Text: Mark 4:35-41 (*Jesus calms a storm*)

Prayer: Gracious Creator, you fashioned us in your image in the midst of a world beyond our knowledge and understanding. Continue to weave us together in community with all created things, and deepen our awareness of the ways you connect us to the earth. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

Hymn: When Peace Like a River #785

Postlude: *Calm to the Waves*

ELW 794

March 3

Prelude: *Glory be to Jesus*

van Hulse

Theme: **In community with all the saints**

Text: Mark 9:2-8 (*Jesus is in conversation with those who have gone before him*)

Prayer: Timeless One, you renew your promises in every generation. Deepen our awareness of the communion of saints who have gone before us, the saints in our own time, and the saints who will carry on your message of grace after us. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

Hymn: For All Your Saints, O Lord #427

Postlude: *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

Ratisbon

March 10

Prelude: *Jesus, I Will Ponder Now*

Walther

Theme: **In community with our neighbor**

Text: Mark 2:1-12 (*A community comes together to bring a neighbor to Jesus*).

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Prayer: Neighbor to all people, you call us into human communities to serve and be served by one another. Open our hearts to the needs of all our neighbors, and teach us to recognize the gifts you have given each of us to use in service to others. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

Hymn: Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love#708

Postlude: *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Bunjes

March 17

Prelude: *Come unto Me, You Weary*

Hildner

Theme: **In community with those on the margins**

Text: Mark 5:1-20 (*Jesus crosses barriers to attend to those on the margins*)

Prayer: Mender of division, you sent Christ to heal the world and to gather those on the margins. Bring your healing power to us. May we extend your power and grace to those separated from their communities and those longing for a tangible sign of your love. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

Hymn: We are Called #720

Postlude: *Come unto Me, You Weary*

Hildner

March 24

Prelude: *Amazing Grace*

Owens

Theme: **In community with Christ**

Text: Mark 10:32-45 (*Jesus reminds us that we are walking the way of the cross*)

Prayer: Mysterious One, in Jesus you redeem us and invite all people to a place in your glory. Draw us closer to you, and in so doing, draw us closer to one another, that we may be strengthened to follow in the way of Jesus' cross and resurrection. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

Hymn: Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus #802

Postlude: *O Sacred Head Now Wounded*

Pachelbel