

## **3/20/24 Morning Prayer (Lent)**

### **Zoom link:**

<https://zoom.us/j/99926424804?pwd=Um9rTFpmSktZOE N3NXFTU0kvRklZdz09>

### **Preparation**

The Lord is here... **His Spirit is with us.**

In a world of fear and anxiety, you, Lord, empower us to live lives of wholeness, lives that make the world whole and turn it right-side-up. Embolden us as those who know that they are called by your name. **Amen.**

*(Brueggemann, Lent prayers, p 61)*

### **Confessions**

Let us have a time of silent confession to seek God's forgiveness of our sins:

*[Silence may be kept]*

Christ himself carried up our sins in his body to the tree, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness;  
by his wounds we have been healed. [1 Pet 2:24]

Lord Jesus Christ,

**We confess we have failed you as did your first disciples.**

**We ask for your mercy and help –**

- When we take our ease rather than watch with you:  
**Lord, forgive us.**
- When we bestow a kiss of peace yet nurse enmity in our hearts:  
**Lord, forgive us.**
- When we strike at those who hurt us rather than stretch out our hands to bless: **Lord, forgive us.**
- When we deny that we know you for fear of the world and its scorn: **Lord, forgive us.**

**Lord, restore us and set us free.**

*[Silence may be kept]*

### **Assurance**

Let's read the Good News from Psalm 103:

**He does not treat us as our sins deserve  
or repay us according to our iniquities.**

**For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his love for those who fear him;**

**As far as the east is from the west,  
so far has he removed our transgressions from us.**

### **Scripture Readings**

**Psalm:** Ps 15 *[Open praise/thanksgiving]*

**OT:** Jer 31:31-34 (Lent) *[Open praise/thanksgiving]*

**Gospel:** Luke 19:28-40 (sermon) *[Open praise/thanksgiving]*

## **Response**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and shall be forever. Amen.**

## **Intercession**

By prayer & intercession with thanksgiving, let us make our requests to God, our father.

Specific country to lift up in prayer: Iran (9)

During this Lenten season, we remember your suffering, Lord, to bring peace to the world. We pray for peace everywhere, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples.

*[Open prayer]*

During this Lenten season, we remember that you, Jesus, washed the feet of your friends. We pray for our communities, for families and for friends, for our Jewish, Muslim and Hindu neighbors who we want to befriend.

Local organization: Abrahamic Alliance

*[Open prayer]*

During this Lenten season, Lord Jesus, we remember the spilling of your precious blood in love. We pray for the global church, that it may be filled with love and truth. We pray for the life of PBCC and the leadership here.

PBCC missionary: Dave and Connie Deal

*[Open prayer]*

During this Lenten season, we remember that you, Jesus, gave your life as a ransom for all. We pray for the poor, the persecuted, the sick, the refugees, the prisoners, and all who may be in need and/or danger.

*[Open prayer]*

Father, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray to your mercy and protection in the name of your Son and our Savior Jesus Christ.

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done,  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread,  
And forgive us our debts,  
As we also have forgiven our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from the evil one,  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
Now and forever.  
Amen.**