

Milwaukee Mennonite Church Third Sunday of Lent - March 20, 2022 "From earning to receiving"

GATHERING

Focus Statement: As we seek God's way, we move from believing that we must earn our nourishment, our privileges, even our identity as God's children, to an understanding that abundant life is a gift from God to all.

Psalm 63: 1-8

Call to Worship:

Leader: Together we seek the way of God, **People: whose ways are not our ways,**

whose thoughts are beyond our thoughts. Leader: Today we accept God's invitation to the feast,

People: where there is water in the desert

and delightful food to share.

Leader: As we worship, we receive the abundant gifts of God

People: without money and without price. *All: So let us praise God and sing for joy.*

HWB #6 Here in this place HWB # 515 Jesus, Rock of ages

CONFESSING

(Adapted from Isaiah 55)

Leader: Holy One, we seek you while you may be found.

People: We call upon you while you are near.

Leader: Have mercy on us, O God, for our thoughts are not your thoughts and our ways are not your ways.

People: Forgive us for acting as if we must earn your love. Open us to receiving your love as a gift.

Leader: As we walk with Christ on this Lenten journey, let us see your way more clearly *All: and follow your way more faithfully.*

REFLECTING

Children's Time: Matthew 20: 1-16

Isaiah 55: 1-9

HWB #495 O Let all who Thirst

Sermon -Alison Casella Brookins

RESPONDING

Calling all the Children Home - John McCutcheon Reflecting Sharing joys and concerns Congregational prayer

SENDING

HWB 143 *Amazing Grace!* Benediction Announcements

Next week, April 27, 2022

Coordinator/Greeter/Set-up: OPEN

Worship Leader: Steve HK

Reflection: Amy Technology: OPEN

COVID precautions:

Please wear a mask and stay physically distanced while you are in the church building. Vaccinated speakers may remove their masks at the podium. Join us in singing while wearing a mask.