

Opening Prayer

The season of Lent is here again and, as with so many times before, we find that we are not really ready for this journey of discipleship. So many things claim our lives and prevent us from being ready to take the steps in faith. As we look at our barrier of readiness, help us to remember that Christ is with us, every step of the way. We are not alone. Christ will help lift our hearts and spirits and direct our paths. Enable us, loving Savior, to take this journey of faith to new life with you. AMEN.

Call to Worship:

L: Welcome today to the beginning of a journey.

P: Where will this journey take us?

L: It will take you to the Cross and beyond.

P: How much time do we have to get ready?

L: The bags are packed and set for the journey. Are you ready?

P: Not really. We have so much still to do.

L: The Holy Spirit calls to us now. The Peace of God is at hand.

P: What will be required of us for this journey?

L: Open your hearts and spirits. Take the risk of discipleship.

P: Holy God, help us to be ready. Calm our fears as we step forward in faith.

AMEN.