

## The Summons



1. Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
3. Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
4. Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? — Will you go where you don't know and  
 your name? — Will you care for cruel and kind and  
 your name? — Will you set the pris - oners free and  
 your name? — Will you quell the fear in - side and  
 my name. — Let me turn and fol - low you and



nev - er be the same? — Will you let my love be  
 nev - er be the same? — Will you risk the hos - tile  
 nev - er be the same? — Will you kiss the lep - er  
 nev - er be the same? — Will you use the faith you've  
 nev - er be the same. — In your com - pa - ny I'll



shown, — will you let my name be known, — will you  
 stare — should your life at - tract or scare? — Will you  
 clean, — and do such as this un - seen, — and ad -  
 found — to re - shape the world a - round, — through my  
 go — where your love and foot - steps show. — Thus I'll



let my life be grown in you and you in me? —  
 let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me? —  
 mit to what I mean in you and you in me? —  
 sight and touch and sound in you and you in me? —  
 move and live and grow in you and you in me. —

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KELVINGROVE  
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**One:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ  
 be with you all.  
**Many:** **And also with you.**  
**All:** **Amen.**

Noontime Lenten Service  
 Saint Mark UMC  
 February 22, 2023

PASSING THE PEACE

OPENING HYMN

**155 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian**

Capo 1: (C) (G7) (Am) (D7/A) (C/G) (G7)  
 Db Ab7 Bbm Eb7/Bb Db/Ab Ab7

1. Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart, in my

(C) (C) (E7b9) (Am) (F) (Fm) (C) (F/C)  
 Db Db F7b9 Bbm Gb Gbm Db Gb/Db

heart; Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.

(C) (F) (F) (C)  
 Db Gb Gb Db

In my heart, in my heart,

(C) (C) (E7b9) (Am) (F) (Fm) (C) (F/C) (C)  
 Db Db F7b9 Bbm Gb Gbm Db Gb/Db Db

Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.

2. Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart,
3. Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart,
4. Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart,

INVITATION

THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES

**488 Jesus, Remember Me**

Je - sus, re - mem-ber me when you come in-to your king-dom.

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# THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Chanted freely*

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your Name,  
your king - dom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heav - en. Give us to - day  
our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins  
as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.  
Save us from the time of trial and de - liv - er  
us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,  
and the glo - ry are yours now and for ev - er.

Matthew 6:9-13

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Plainsong

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# PRAYER

Let us pray: **O God, you delight not in pomp and show, but in a humble and contrite heart. Overturn our love of worldly possessions and fix our hearts more firmly on you, that, having nothing, we may yet possess everything, a treasure stored up for us in heaven. Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON – Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming, it is near—<sup>2</sup>a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness! Like blackness spread upon the mountains a great and powerful army comes; their like has never been from of old, nor will be again after them in ages to come. <sup>12</sup>Yet even now, says the Lord, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; <sup>13</sup>rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and relents from punishing. <sup>14</sup>Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the Lord, your God? <sup>15</sup>Blow the trumpet in Zion; sanctify a fast; call a solemn assembly; <sup>16</sup>gather the people. Sanctify the congregation; assemble the aged; gather the children, even infants at the breast. Let the bridegroom leave his room, and the bride her canopy. <sup>17</sup>Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep. Let them say, “Spare your people, O Lord, and do not make your heritage a mockery, a byword among the nations. Why should it be said among the peoples, ‘Where is their God?’”

Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**



# Psalm 51:1-17

Ps. 51:11

Carlton R. Young

RESPONSE 1 (Ash Wednesday)

Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence,  
and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.

**R**

<sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

<sup>2</sup>**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. <sup>3</sup>For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.**

<sup>4</sup>Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.

<sup>5</sup>**Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.**

<sup>6</sup>You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

<sup>7</sup>**Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

<sup>8</sup>Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

<sup>9</sup>**Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.**

**R**

<sup>10</sup>Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

<sup>11</sup>**Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me.**

<sup>12</sup>Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

<sup>13</sup>**Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.**

<sup>14</sup>Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

<sup>15</sup>**O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.**

<sup>16</sup>For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased.

<sup>17</sup>**The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

**R**

## SECOND LESSON – 2 Corinthians 5:20b – 6:10

<sup>20</sup>So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. <sup>21</sup>For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

<sup>6:1</sup>As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says, “At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.” See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

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SILENCE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*(Individuals are invited to offer prayers silently or audibly. Please conclude petitions with, “Lord, in your mercy,” to which the people will respond, “Hear our prayer.”)*