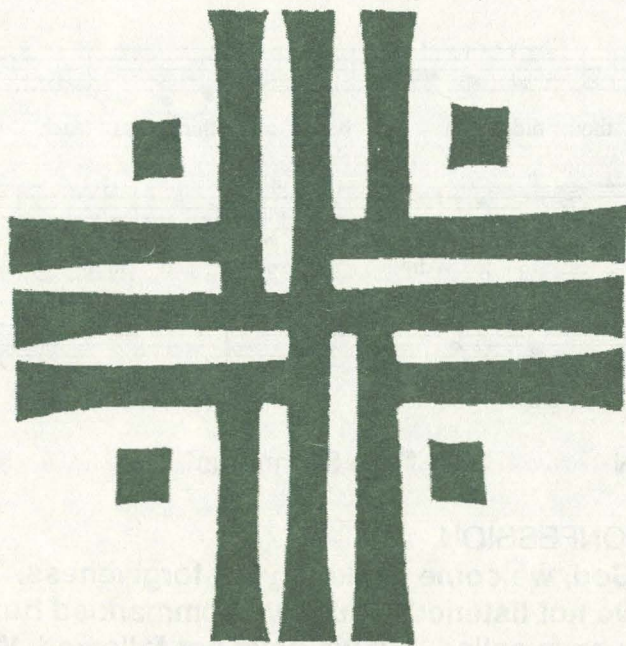


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CROSSROADS

March 16, 2003

8:45 a.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING MUSIC "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

#2129

*GREETING

As thou didst hun - ger bear, and thirst, so teach us, gra - cious
Lord. to die to self, and chief - ly live by
thy most ho - ly word.

*OPENING HYMN

"The Summons"

#2130

MOMENTS OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we come seeking your forgiveness. You have spoken, but we have not listened. You have commanded but we have not acted. You have called, but we have not followed. We have loved our comfort more than we have loved your will. Forgive us, O Lord, and help us to follow you. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PRAYER RESPONSE

"Jesus, Remember Me"

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

LESSON ONE

Genesis 17:1 - 7, 15 -16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you." God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

SILENT REFLECTION

RESPONSE

"The Summons" (Vs. 1)

#2130

LESSON TWO

Mark 8:31 - 38

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." He called the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

SILENT REFLECTION

RESPONSE

"The Summons" (Vs. 2)

#2130

MEDITATION

"Cross Walk"

Lisa Brown Cole

PERIOD OF REFLECTION AND DECISION

RESPONSE

"The Summons" (Vs. 5)

#2130

OFFERING

"Give Thanks"

#2036

HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN

"Take Up Thy Cross"



1. "Take up thy cross," the Sav - ior said, "if thou wouldst my dis -
 2. Take up thy cross, let not its weight fill thy weak spir - it
 3. Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame, nor let thy fool - ish
 4. Take up thy cross and fol - low Christ, nor think till death to



ci - ple be; de - ny thy - self, the world for -
 with a - larm; his strength shall bear thy spir - it
 pride re - bel; thy Lord for thee the cross en -
 lay it down; for on - ly those who bear the



sake, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me."
 up, and brace thy heart and nerve thine arm.
 dured, to save thy soul from death and hell.
 cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

*BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

Preacher Rev. Lisa Brown Cole

Pianist/Nine@9:00 Director Rev. R. Julian Irvine