

# LIVING IN THE SHADOWS:

The Shadow of the Cross

## APRIL 14

# Welcome to Together@5!

We are so glad you came and hope this time of worship will offer you peace, perspective, and joy as we meet God in worship and community. Every year, we are invited to spend the six weeks before Easter in a spirit of self-reflection and contemplation. This year at Second, we're exploring *Living in the Shadows*. Together, we can find the courage to face the shadow-side of our faith and perhaps discover God's presence and blessing even in our emptiness, fear, doubt, weariness, and guilt.

Please find a seat anywhere you like, maybe next to a new friend!

After worship, all are invited for dinner and conversation around tables.

# ON YOUR TABLE

# Attendance Page and Nametags

We want to welcome you by name! Please make a nametag and share your contact information on the attendance page before worship begins.

#### **Prayer Cards**

Faith community is built on prayer. At the Community Table, you will find prayer cards which can be submitted in the offering basket. Your prayers of joy and concern will be confidentially lifted up by our staff and intercessory prayer group.

#### Offering

Offering baskets are on each table. You are invited to give as you feel led. By simply touching the basket you are giving the gift of your presence. You are also invited to prayerfully commit gifts of time and energy to the church and the world this week.

### **WORSHIP LEADERS**

Owen Gray, liturgist
Meagan Findeiss, liturgist
Lucy Gaha
Lucy Bloniarz
Kat Green (Barden), children's leader

#### **Jazz Trio**

Erin Benedict, vocal Gary Walters, piano Steve Dokken, bass Chris Pyle, drums

#### **Small Group Team**

Alex Schelling Gina Devadoss Steve Archbold Lindsay Lewis Bob Brucker Ann VanMeter Kristin Srour

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#### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.

Amen.

#### **GATHERING**

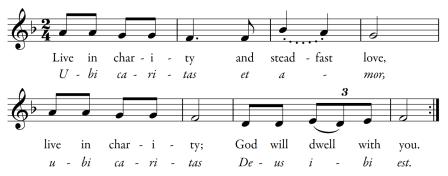
#### Congregational Songs Hosanna, Loud Hosanna



#### When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



#### Centering Song Ubi caritas (Live in Charity)



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#### LISTENING

#### Personal Meditation The Shadow of the Cross

#### **Musical Meditation**

#### RESPONDING

#### Sacrament of Communion



#### Words of Blessing

As shadows of Holy Week descend, may
God's hand guide you in moments of doubt,
Christ's love strengthen you in seasons of weakness,
And may the Holy Spirit breathe hope into your soul
When abundant life seems distant.
In all things, remember that life and love await us. Amen.

#### A Word of Invitation for the Week to Come

As the journey of Lent comes to its final week, we enter the holy ground of Holy Week. Between Palm Sunday and Easter, we encounter the darkest depths of human failing, yet also anticipate God's triumphant response.

This week, we invite you to reflect each day on one of the six Lenten shadows: emptiness, fear, doubt, weariness, guilt, and the cross. Consider where you encounter the shadow of each in your life; search for places where you find hopeful light as well. And of course, we encourage you to attend worship on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. These seven days form the core of our Christian faith.

Grace and Peace be with you on your journey.

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April 14	The Shadow of the Cross
April 7	The Shadow of Guilt
March 31	The Shadow of Weariness
March 24	The Shadow of Doubt
March 17	The Shadow of Fear
March 10	The Shadow of Emptiness

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