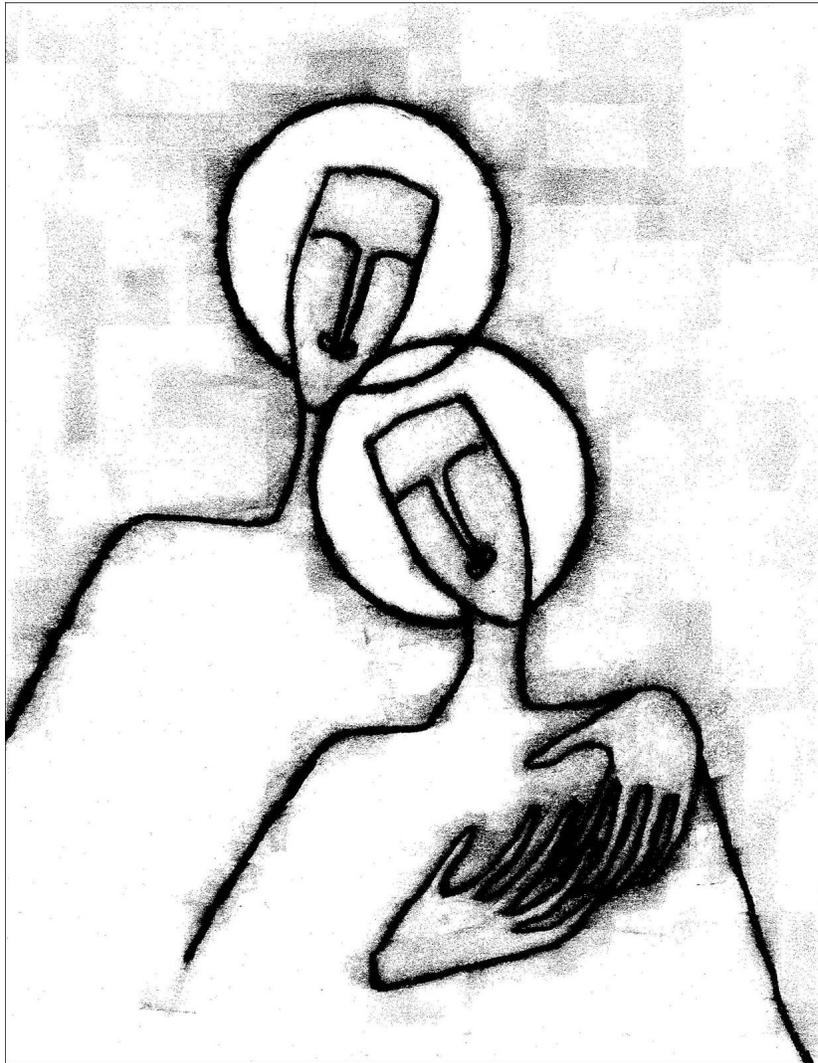


# Worship Guide for First Baptist Church on Fifth

Sunday, March 7, 2021 + Winston-Salem, NC

The Third Sunday in Lent



*Woman, Here is Your Son*, by Jan Richardson

“... in a time when we were wondering where ... God was,  
the only place I could find an answer from this text was with Mary, gazing at the cross.

At the cross, God enters into our human tragedy. ...

This is our God. Not a distant judge nor a sadist, but a God who weeps.

A God who suffers, not only for us, but with us.

Nowhere is the presence of God amidst suffering more salient than on the cross.

Therefore what can I do but confess that this is not a God who causes suffering.

This is a God who bears suffering.”

- Nadia Bolz-Weber

## Invitation to Worship

Welcome to worship with First on Fifth!

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### Prelude

Jacob Hill

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### Introit: *Jesus Calls Us*

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### Call to Worship

Psalm 19:1-4,14

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### Hymn: *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

All who hunger, gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.  
Come from wilderness and wandering. Here, in truth, we will be fed.  
You who yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers, seeker, be a welcome guest.  
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.  
We who once were lost and scattered in communion's love have stood.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together; Jesus Christ is living bread.  
Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been led  
Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude.  
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

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### Passing the Peace

Turn to those around you and share these words:  
*May the peace of Christ be with you! And also with you!*

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### Scripture Lesson

John 2:13-22

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## Prayer of Confession

God of compassion,  
how often we have been guilty of treating with contempt  
all that is holy in this world.

But you, O God, are slow to anger and full of mercy,  
welcoming sinners who return to you with penitent hearts.  
Receive in your loving embrace all who come home to you.

Seat them at your bountiful table of grace,  
that, with all your children, they may feast with delight  
on all that satisfies the hungry heart.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

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## Words of Assurance: *O How He Loves You and Me*

O how He loves you and me.

O how he loves you and me;

He gave His life, what more could He give?

O how he loves you;

O how He loves me;

O how He loves you and me.

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## Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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## Scripture Lesson

John 19:25-27

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## Homily

*Words to Live By: Take Care and Connect*

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## Celebration of Communion

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## Hymn: *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

Beneath the cross of Jesus I humbly take my stand,  
the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;  
a home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,  
from the burning of the noontide heat and the burden of the day.

Upon that cross of Jesus my eye at times can see  
the very dying form of One who suffered there for me;  
and from my smitten heart with tears two wonders I confess,  
the wonders of His glorious love and my unworthiness.

I take, O Cross, thy shadow for my abiding place;  
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of His face;  
content to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss,  
my sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.

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## Mission Moment

Lynn Rhoades

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## Doxology

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing.  
To God and to the Lamb who is the great "I Am,"  
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing;  
while millions join the theme, I will sing.

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## Benediction

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