

Thursday morning prayer - Season of Creation 2020

Lectio Divina

Bell x 3

Opening prayer:

The God of heaven has made God's home on earth.

Christ dwells among us and is one with us.

The highest of all creation lives among the least.

Christ journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Come now all who thirst

and drink the water of life.

Come now all who hunger

and be filled with good things.

Come now all who seek

and be warmed by the fire of love.

(adapted from Iona Abbey Worship Book - Service of Welcome)

Candle is lit.

Song: *For the Beauty of the Earth*

Psalm:

(ending with) ***Glory to you, Source of all being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit, As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.***

Free prayers of gratitude

Preparation for the lectio:

Chant (x2)

Listen to the word that God has spoken

Listen to the One who is close at hand

*Listen to the voice that began creation
Listen even if you don't understand.*

First Reading

Bell and silence - *What word or phrase caught your attention?*

Time of sharing

Second Reading

Bell and silence - *What image/story/memory/picture/question comes to mind?*

Time of sharing

Third Reading

Bell and longer silence - *What might be the Spirit's invitation for you in this reading?*

Longer time of sharing and discussion.

Prayers

for our world, the things that stirred within us in the reading, for others, and for ourselves.

The Lord's Prayer

Closing prayer:

This is the day that God has made;
We will rejoice and be glad in it.
We will not offer to God
Offerings that cost us nothing.
Go in peace to love and serve;
We will seek peace and pursue it.
In the name of the Trinity of Love,
God in community, holy and one. Amen.