Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Gracious and loving God

we come to this season of Lent with sorrow and hope.

We want to begin again,

to follow your way of life.

Grant us new and honest hearts

to change destructive ways of being.

Shower us with the healing power of your forgiveness

so that we may be transformed into the fullness of Christ. Amen.

Psalm (Psalm 51:1-12 - A Prayer for Forgiveness)

One: Be merciful to me, O God, because of your constant love.

All: Because of your great mercy wipe away my sins!

One: Wash away all my evil and make me clean from my sin!

All: I recognize my faults; I am always conscious of my sins.

One: I have sinned against you – only against you – and done what you

consider evil.

All: So you are right in judging me; you are justified in condemning me.

One: Indeed, I was born guilty,

All: from the day of my birth I have been sinful.

One: Sincerity and truth are what you require;

All: fill my mind with your wisdom.

One: Remove my sin, and I will be clean;

All: wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.

One: Let me hear the sounds of joy and gladness;

All: though you have crushed me and broken me, I will be happy once again.

One: Close your eyes to my sins

All: and wipe out all my evil.

One: Create a pure heart in me, O God, All: put a new and loyal spirit in me.

One: Do not banish me from your presence; All: do not take your holy spirit away from me.

One: Give me again the joy that comes from your salvation,

All: and make me willing to obey you.

Affirmation of Faith (in unison)

We confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God, and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world. In Christ's name and by his grace, we accept our mission of witness and service to all people. We rejoice in God, Maker of heaven and earth, and in the covenant of love which binds us to God and one another. Through baptism into Christ we enter into newness of life and are made one with the whole people of God. In the communion of the Holy Spirit we are joined together in discipleship and in obedience to Christ. At the table of the Lord we celebrate with thanksgiving the saving acts and presence of Christ. Within the universal Church we receive the gift of ministry and the light of Scripture. In the bonds of Christian faith we yield ourselves to God, that we may serve the One whose Kingdom has no end. Blessing, glory and honor be to God forever.

Amen.

Benediction

Let us go from this place in the strength of God's mercy to live and serve in newness of life.

We are sent in Christ's name.

May God order all our days and deeds in peace.

Thanks be to God.



February 18, 2015 Ash Wednesday

Disciples of Christ, Who Are We?

People of the Table







*please stand
songs from chalice praise

*Come to the Table of the Lord, 163

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Question? (What meanings do the Communion Table and Service convey to you?)

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Question? (How did Jesus use meals (with or without tables) in his ministry with people?)

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Question? (In what way does PACC show that God is love?)

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Come Now Is the Time to Worship

Come, now is the time to worship;

come, now is the time to give your heart.

Come just as you are to worship;

come just as you are before your God, come.

One day ev'ry tongue will confess You are God;

one day ev'ry knee will bow.

Still, the greatest treasure remains for those who gladly choose You now.

(repeat)

Come, come, come.

Call to Worship

One: Praise God, all you people! Honor God, you children of Jacob! Worship God, you people of Israel!

All: We praise you, God, for all you have done!

One: In the presence of all who are gathered here, we remember God and will turn to God always.

All: We praise you, God, for all you have done!

One: We see and name God in the ordinary events of our life; we seek God, knowing that God lives with us.

All: We praise you, God, for all you have done!

One: God remembers all people and does not ignore their suffering. God does not turn away from anyone's cry for help.

All: We praise you, God, for all you have done!

One: We will speak of God to the coming generation; people not yet born will be told how God saves.

All: We praise you, God, for all you have done!



Choral Response, Everything I Am
Ev'ry-thing I am, ev'ry-thing I have,
ev'ry-thing I can I bring to you.
For you alone are worthy, so I come to give you praise,
and ev'ry-thing I am I bring to you.

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

One: Sometimes we think we know better than God.

Two: How could God possibly know what the future might bring? One: How can anyone know us better than we know ourselves? Two: How can the impossible happen? We know what's real!

All: In these times, O God, and in many others – forgive us.

One: We follow Jesus when we think it's easy.

Two: When there's no risk involved, sure, we'll do it.

One: As long as there's no real time commitment or anything...
Two: As long as Jesus doesn't ask us to do anything different...

All: In these times, O God, and in many others – forgive us. Amen.

One: God's promises are real and true. Even when we don't want to believe them because they might interfere with our daily living, still God offers them. Still God is patient with us. And still God loves us – always and unconditionally.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.



March 1, 2015 Second Sunday in Lent

LOVE is A







*please stand
songs from chalice hymnal
and/or words attached

What Does Welcome Mean to You?

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

Call to Worship Invocation

Choral Response, Everything I Am

Scripture, Genesis 17: 1-7, 15-16 A Moment with our Children

Gather Us In, 284

Video

Question (What are the distinctive marks of hospitality as we (PACC) practice it?)

Prayer

Scripture, Mark 8: 31-38

Trust, Small Town Poets

Question? (Two central elements of Christian community are God's love and Jesus as God's love in action. How would you describe to someone how you make space for these?))

Our Prayers

Take My Life, 609

Question (Would people enter PACC and feel the presence of the living God? In what ways?)

Call to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving Sharing in God's Gifts

Blessing

*Response, I Have Decided to Follow Jesus, 344

*Passing of the Peace



Call to Worship

One: Give thanks to God, who is good, whose love lasts forever and ever!

All: We thank you, God, for you are good and your love lasts forever and ever.

One: We thank you with songs of joy and tell all that you have done for us.

All: We thank you, God, for you are good and your love lasts forever and ever!

One: In our trouble we call to you, God, and you save us from our distress.

All: We thank you, God, for you are good and your love lasts forever and

ever!

Choral Response, Everything I Am

Ev'ry-thing I am, ev'ry-thing I have, ev'ry-thing I can I bring to you. For you alone are worthy, so I come to give you praise, and ev'ry-thing I am I bring to you.

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

One: We are stubborn, O God. We want things our way or not at all

All: Forgive us.

One: We are restless, O God. We demand instant solutions.

All: Forgive us.

One: We have fears, O God. Sometimes we let them overtake us.

All: Forgive us. Fill us with your grace, make us new, and set us right. Amen

One: Hear the words of this simple truth proclaimed in scripture: "God loved the world so much God sent Jesus, God's only son, to be our Savior, that whoever

believes in him might not perish but have everlasting life. Indeed, God did not send Jesus into the world to condemn the world, but so that the world might be saved through him." Know that – no matter who you are or where you have been or what you have done – God loves you. Always.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.



March 15, 2015 Fourth Sunday in Lent

LOVE is A







*please stand
songs from chalice praise
and/or words attached

What Does Wholeness Mean to You?

Your Love Is Amazing, choir

Call to Worship Welcome Invocation

Choral Response, Everything I Am

A Moment with our Children

Only By Grace, 175

Prayer

Scripture, 2 Corinthians 5: 16-6:2

Video: Wholeness

Question (What does wholeness (shalom) mean to you?

Beauty for Ashes, choir

Question (How **are** we (individually and as PACC) wholeness? In what ways do we "**do**" wholeness? In what ways is wholeness **a process** for us, for the world?)
Our Prayers

Remember Me, 162

Question (Are there questions that we find difficult to discuss together? How does God's love help us to stay at the Table as a community of faith?)

Call to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving Sharing in God's Gifts

Blessing

*Response, Live for Jesus, 177 (1,4,5)

*Passing of the Peace



Call to Worship

One: God says, "The time is coming when I will make a new covenant with you."

All: You are our God and we are your people!

One: God says, "I will put my law within you and write it on your hearts."

All: You are our God and we are your people!

One: God says, "All will know me from the least to the greatest."

All: You are our God and we are your people!

One: God says, "I, your God have spoken."

All: You are our God and we are your people!

One: God, on this day we come before you in prayer and song

All: For you are our God and we are your people!

Choral Response, Everything I Am

Ev'ry-thing I am, ev'ry-thing I have, ev'ry-thing I can I bring to you. For you alone are worthy, so I come to give you praise, and ev'ry-thing I am I bring to you.

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Elder 1: Merciful and loving God, we give you thanks for the gift of this day, for the gift of the whole creation, for the gifts we discover and receive from one another. We are sorry for all those things we have done and not done that have caused others pain and which, in turn, have hurt you.

All: Create in us a new heart and loving spirit.

Elder 2: Forgive us when we miss the beauty around us.

All: Create in us a new heart and loving spirit.



Elder 1: Forgive us when we stop caring about others and ourselves. All: Create in us a new heart and loving spirit.

Elder 2: Forgive us when we ignore the little things in life.

All: Create in us a new heart and loving spirit.

Elder 1: God loves us. God forgives us and invites us to new life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Blessing (in unison)

O God, we give thanks for your son Jesus who was fully human, who lived and knew friendship, love, sorrow, and pain, and who died but rose again.

We give you thanks for words of comfort in times of difficulty and grief, for the gift and mystery of life, and for the reassurance of life with you after death. Amen.



March 22, 2015 Fifth Sunday in Lent

LOVE is A







*please stand
songs from chalice praise
and/or words attached

What Does Movement Mean to You?

Hear Our Praises, 41

Welcome Invocation

Choral Response, Everything I Am

A Moment with our Children

I Could Sing of Your Love Forever, 58

Prayer

Scripture, John 12: 20-33 Video : Movement

Question (What is different in the world today than it was in the world of your parents? How does this affect how we share God's love as church?)

How Sweet the Sound, choir

Question (What are some of the connections between table and wholeness? Wholeness and movement? How can we actively participate in this movement for wholeness?)

Our Prayers

Make Me a Servant, 162

Question (If movement is about change, how can a movement identify itself? Can a movement have a stable identity, an "oasis" of stability in a sea of turmoil? How do you see that working?)

Call to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving Sharing in God's Gifts

Blessing

*Response, Go Out as People of God, 188

*Sharing in God's Work

