

**PSEC Spring Meeting 2021  
Saturday am Worship  
June 5, 2021**

+ Quiet Gathering as we ask each of you to Light a Candle on your table+

**Song** Wait For the Lord W & R 166

Reading from John 4: 1-6

Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard, "Jesus is making and baptizing more disciples than John" —although it was not Jesus Himself but His disciples who baptized— He left Judea and started back to Galilee. But He had to go through Samaria. So He came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by His journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

*+ Silence +*

**Song** O Lord Hear My Prayer W & R 484

Reading from John Chrysostom, 4<sup>th</sup> Century Bishop of Constantinople

Prayer is the light of the spirit, and the spirit, raised up to heaven by prayer, clings to God with utmost tenderness. Like a child crying tearfully for its mother, it craves the milk that God provides. Prayer also stands before God as an honored ambassador. It gives joy to the spirit, peace to the heart. I speak of prayer, not words. It is the longing for God, love too deep for words, a gift not given by humans, but by God's grace.

*+ Silence +*

**Song** Stay With Me W & R 286

Reading from Frances DeSales, 16<sup>th</sup> Century Bishop from France

Love the poor and love poverty, for it is by such love that we become truly poor. As the Scripture says, we become like the things we love. If you love the poor you will share their poverty and be poor like them. If you love the poor be often with

them. Be glad to talk to them and be pleased to have them in your own home and to visit with them in theirs. Be glad to talk to them and be pleased to have them near you in church, on the street, and elsewhere. Be poor in conversing with them and speak to them as their companions do, but be rich in assisting them by sharing some of your more abundant goods with them.

*+ Silence +*

**Song** Jesus, Remember Me W & R 285

Reading from Cesar Chavez, 20<sup>th</sup> Century Justice Warrior

Show me the suffering of the most miserable, so I will know my people's plight. Free me to pray for others, for You are present in ever person. Help me take responsibility for my own life, so that I can be free at last. Grant me courage to serve others, for in service there is true life. Give me honesty and patience, so that the Spirit will be alive among us. Let the Spirit flourish and grow, so that we will never tire of the struggle. Let us remember those who have died for justice, for they have given us life. Help us love even those who hate us, so we can change the world. Amen.

*+ Silence +*

**Song** Make Me a Servant W & R 576

Reading from Augustine of Hippo, 5<sup>th</sup> Century bishop and theologian

The way to Christ is first through humility, second through humility, third through humility. If humility does not precede and accompany and follow every good work we do, if it is not before us to focus on, if it is not beside us to lean upon, if it is not behind us to fence us in, pride will wrench from our hand any good deed we do at the very moment we do it.

*+ Silence +*

One: The peace of God be with you.

**Many: And also with you.**

One: Let us greet each other with signs of Christ's peace.