



Peace United Church of Christ
Worship Resources for The First Sunday in Lent
March 9, 2025

*Today is Lenten Communion;
please have your elements ready before viewing the service.*

Welcome

Opening Hymn "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

Break Thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,
As Thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;
Beyond the sacred page I seek Thee, Lord;
My spirit pants for Thee, O living Word!

Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me,
As Thou didst bless the bread by Galilee;
Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall;
And I shall find my peace, my all in all.

Opening Prayer

***God, you welcome us to the story of Jesus' sacrifice
through Lent. We are mindful of the cost of your struggle
with our sin and of all you gave so that we could find life even beyond death.
Help us to find our footing in this time of honest reflection and prayer.
Amen***

Scripture Readings Deuteronomy 26: 1-11 Luke 4: 1-13

Meditation

Prayers of the People/The Prayer of Our Savior (debts and debtors)

Gather at the Welcome Table: Holy Communion

Invitation

Communion Prayer

Breaking the Bread/Blessing the Cup

Sharing the Meal

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Wondrous God,
tender in your love for us,
we thank you for the experience of the holy
that we have received in Christ's body and blood.
Continue to nourish us by your Spirit,
that we may fulfill the work of Christ in the world. Amen*

Closing Song "The Old Rugged Cross"

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, The emblem of suff'ring and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best For a world of lost sinners was slain.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, Has a wondrous attraction for me;
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above To bear it to dark Calvary.
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross, And exchange it some day for a crown.

Benediction & Sending Forth