

**March 6, 2022**

First Sunday in Lent



**Come Worship the Living**



**PRELUDE**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN**

*Word of God Speak*

MercyMe

**Verse 1**

I'm finding myself at a loss for words  
And the funny thing is it's okay  
The last thing I need is to be heard  
But to hear what You would say

**Chorus**

Word of God speak  
Would You pour down like rain?  
Washing my eyes to see  
Your majesty  
To be still and know  
That You're in this place  
Please let me stay and rest  
In Your holiness  
Word of God speak

**Verse 2**

I'm finding myself in the midst of You  
Beyond the music, beyond the noise  
All that I need is to be with You  
And in the quiet  
Hear Your voice

**Chorus**

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

## SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 43:1-7

### NRSV

1 But now thus says the Lord,  
he who created you, O Jacob,  
he who formed you, O Israel:  
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name, you are mine.  
2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;  
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
and the flame shall not consume you.  
3 For I am the Lord your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.  
I give Egypt as your ransom,  
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.  
4 Because you are precious in my sight,  
and honored, and I love you,  
I give people in return for you,  
nations in exchange for your life.  
5 Do not fear, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you;  
6 I will say to the north, "Give them up,"  
and to the south, "Do not withhold;  
bring my sons from far away  
and my daughters from the end of the earth—  
7 everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made."

### NLT

1 But now, O Jacob, listen to the Lord who created you.  
O Israel, the one who formed you says,  
"Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you.  
I have called you by name; you are mine.  
2 When you go through deep waters,  
I will be with you.  
When you go through rivers of difficulty,  
you will not drown.  
When you walk through the fire of oppression,  
you will not be burned up;  
the flames will not consume you.  
3 For I am the Lord, your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.  
I gave Egypt as a ransom for your freedom;  
I gave Ethiopia and Seba in your place.  
4 Others were given in exchange for you.  
I traded their lives for yours  
because you are precious to me.  
You are honored, and I love you.  
5 "Do not be afraid, for I am with you.  
I will gather you and your children from east and west.  
6 I will say to the north and south,  
'Bring my sons and daughters back to Israel  
from the distant corners of the earth.  
7 Bring all who claim me as their God,  
for I have made them for my glory.  
It was I who created them.'"

## SERMON

*Discipled: Practicing Silence*

Rev. Claudia Stallings

## PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be  
done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## CONSECRATING OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

### DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,

Praise Him all creatures here below,

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## HOLY COMMUNION

### HYMN

*Come and Find the Quiet Center*

TFWS #2128

1. Come and find the quiet center  
in the crowded life we lead,  
find the room for hope to enter,  
find the frame where we are freed:  
clear the chaos and the clutter,  
clear our eyes, that we can see  
all the things that really matter,  
be at peace, and simply be.

2. Silence is a friend who claims  
us,  
cools the heat and slows the  
pace,  
God it is who speaks and names  
us,  
knows our being, touches base,  
making space within our thinking,  
lifting shades to show the sun,  
raising courage when we're  
shrinking,  
finding scope for faith begun.

3. In the Spirit let us travel,  
open to each other's pain,  
let our loves and fears unravel,  
celebrate the space we gain:  
there's a place for deepest dream-  
ing,  
there's a time for heart to care,  
in the Spirit's lively scheming  
there is always room to spare!

## DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Alice Alford	Randy Early	Debbie Mullins
Matt Amason	Edward Fergusson	Frances Nunnally
Lois Crafton	Sandy Gentry	Frances Owen
Brandon (Cottrell)	Jackie Gray	David Pittman
Lucille Lane Bean	Bonnie Hainley	Sara Katherine Reid
Emily Bucknam	Mike Hainley	Amy Salley
Peggy Burch	Elnora Holmes	Scott Stallings
Donna Campbell	Nancy Hulon	Darlene Thomas
Erica	Brittany Johnson	Curtis Walsh
Jimmie Early	Maureen	Iris Ward
Mitch Early		Shirley Wiegand

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Full calendar can be found at [www.ramseymemorial.org](http://www.ramseymemorial.org)

March 10	Prayer Meeting	(11:00am, Rm 105)
March 13	Second Sunday of Lent	(10:00am, Sanctuary)
March 13	Daylight Savings Start	—————
March 17	Prayer Meeting	(11:00am, Rm105)
March 20	Third Sunday of Lent	(10:00am, Sanctuary)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LENTEN OFFERING

Our 2022 Lenten Offering will run from March 6 through Easter Sunday, April 17. The money we raise will go toward replacing various parts of our sound system. Since the pandemic came along, our video recording process and the electronics that go with it have become a major part of our Sunday services. Many in our congregation depend on watching the videos to stay connected with Ramsey. So it is vital that we have dependable and up-to-date equipment.

You have always generously supported this offering and we are sure this year will be no exception. Please write "Lenten Offering" in the memo section of your check. As always, we thank you for your stewardship.



Use your phone camera to scan one of our Vanco app QR codes to give and communicate with our Ramsey Family.

INVITE CODE: 7HEAYP



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### The Thursday Morning Prayer Group

The Thursday Morning Prayer Group is beginning again  
in Room 105 - all are welcome!

11-12 Fellowship/Bring your own lunch

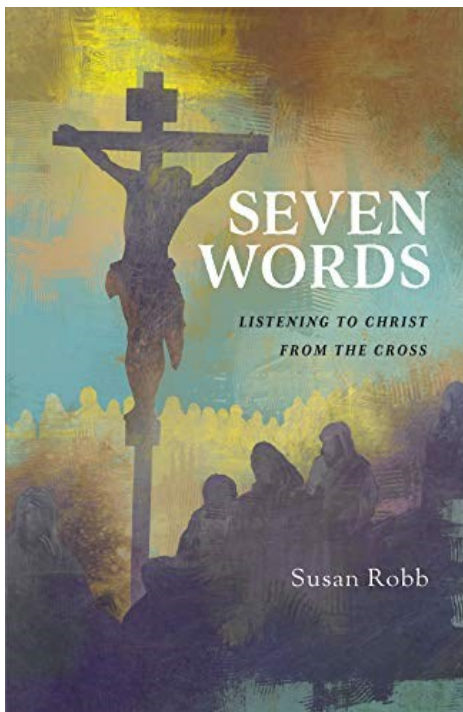
12-2 Prayer/Bible Study

### Good Morning! Welcome to Ramsey!

Are these words that easily flow off your tongue especially while a smile crosses your face? If so, then Ramsey's new Hospitality Team needs you. If you are willing to say those simple words while monitoring the CLC lobby on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:05am one Sunday every 4-6 weeks, please contact Melissa, our Admin Assistant, at [admin@ramseymemorial.org](mailto:admin@ramseymemorial.org) or **804-276-4682**. Training and additional instruction will be provided.



# WELCOME



### LENT STUDY

"Seven Words: Listening to Christ from the Cross"

Sundays:

March 6, 13, 20 & 27

April 3 & 10

9:00am

Ramsey Sanctuary

*Those who listen to Jesus' last words from the cross will discover what He most wants them to hear and will experience an intimate and divine awe only available to those who are willing to draw near His cross.*

**If you would like a participant book, please contact the church office at 804-276-4628 or [admin@ramseymemorial.org](mailto:admin@ramseymemorial.org). If you are able, a \$12 donation per book is appreciated.**



**If you would like to order a Lily (\$14.50) to dedicate *in memory of* or *in honor of* a loved one, please fill out this form and return it to the church office no later than March 31.**

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Given by: <hr/> <hr/>

In HONOR of: <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
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If paying via check, please write "Easter Lily" in the notes section.

**Please pick up your Lily following the Easter Sunday service.**