

CONVERSATIONS
WITH
Jesus

THE WORD AND HEALING FOR LENT



Wednesday Evenings in Lent 2026 (Online)
March 18, 2026 at 7:00pm

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Week 4:

Each Sunday during this season Jesus is in conversation with friends and adversaries.

On Wednesdays during lent, we join the conversation between Jesus and these partners – how might Jesus respond to our own questions, confusions and need for healing? This evening, what hard question would you ask Jesus about the brokenness of the world?

PRELUDE

WELCOME

OPENING LITANY

The prophet Joel calls us to return to the Lord with all our hearts.

Lord, use this holy season of Lent to reorient our lives toward you.

As we raise our hearts in prayer and reflection,
comfort us and fill us with your word and grace.

Bless our worship, our work, and our play.
**Move us with bold spirits that we may follow
where you lead in confidence and trust.**

HYMN

ELW 814 – Take, oh take me as I am

(Sung three times)

Take, oh, take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall be;
set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949 / Music: John L. Bell / Tune: TAKE ME AS I AM

PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of power, you work wonders for those who seek you in faith. Show us your grace where we least expect it, that we may praise you for your boundless love and give thanks for your saving help in Jesus Christ, the light of the world. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

John 9:1-11

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?” Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am he.” But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN

ELW 635 – We Walk By Faith



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4 For you, O res - ur - rec - ted Lord, are
 5 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 found in means di - vine: be - neath the wa - ter
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near and seek where you are found:
 and the word, be - neath the bread and wine.
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Text: Henry Alford, 1810-1871, alt. / Music: Marty Haugen, b. 1950 / Tune: SHANTI

REFLECTION

Holy Conversation #4, Receiving Sight

Pastor Morales

LIGHTING OF THE FOURTH CANDLE

Miracles in the Wilderness

A TIME OF MEDITATION

Music will guide us in a time of reflection

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father, who 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 and ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

The Lord watches over your going out and your coming in.
The Lord shields your joys and holds your sorrows.
God bless you ✚ and keep you this day and always.
Amen.

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP LEADERS

Officiating Minister
The Rev. Connie A. Miller

Preaching Minister
The Rev. Franklin Morales

Musician
Adam Scott Graham

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LET'S TALK: Caring for God's people

Sunday Mornings During Lent

10:10 a.m. Fireside Room
Coming Highlights

Sunday, March 22

Our Israeli/Palestinian Neighbors

Updates from Ammon Harteis and Ruth Manchester,
members Metro DC Synod Middle East Task Force

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Wednesday, March 25

Holy Conversation #5
Mary, Martha and Jesus

Pastor Rosario Hernandez