



# WEEK 2 WEEK

Connecting worship throughout the week.

**Week of March 5 – March 11, 2023**

**Lent 2A**

## **A Focus Verse**

**John 3:1**

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## **SERMON NOTES:**

*What stood out in this week's sermon? (Theme, phrase, thought, reference, etc.)  
What questions stir up within you? What do you want to explore further?*

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## **FOR FURTHER THOUGHT by Pastor John Locke**

He came at night ... in secret, we might say. Nicodemus is no different than we are. Sometimes we are a little fearful to be seen with Jesus in daylight, in public, or in the midst of the crowd. It is risky business to be seen with Jesus. Nicodemus had so much to lose – status, position, wealth, credibility, reputation.

I wonder what happened to Nicodemus when people saw him at the crucifixion, helping take Jesus' body down from the cross and preparing it for burial. What did that action of compassion cost him?

Faith in action has a cost, according to Bonhoeffer. In our culture today, when we follow the gospel, and we support those who have little voice or power, in what ways does it cost us?

## BEYOND SUNDAY:

*\*Readings intended to help you reflect and digest this week's worship service.*

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**MONDAY:** Psalm 128 (*The Home of The Faithful*)

- What is the most **MEMORABLE** verse for you, in this passage, at this time? \_\_\_\_\_
- What makes this verse so **MEANINGFUL**?  
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**TUESDAY:** Isaiah 65:17-25 (*A New Creation*)

Memorable: \_\_\_\_\_

Meaning: \_\_\_\_\_

**WEDNESDAY:** John 7:53-8:11 (*Woman Caught In Adultery*)

Memorable: \_\_\_\_\_

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## BEFORE SUNDAY READINGS:

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Next Sunday Jesus meets a woman at Jacob's well. Her encounter with Jesus, the true water of life, will be life-changing and life-giving.

**THURS:** Psalm 95 (*A Worship Psalm*)

Memorable: \_\_\_\_\_

Meaning: \_\_\_\_\_

**FRIDAY:** Ephesians 2:11-22 (*Christ Makes Us One*)

Memorable: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SATURDAY:** John 4:1-6 (*Jacob's Well*)

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**Read Ahead:** March 12, 2023 – Lent 3A

Exodus 17:1-7, Psalm 95, Romans 5:1-11, John 4:5-42



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