

THE ROAD TO JERUSALEM



TAKE ME TO PLACES; YOU NEED TO BE

OPENING PRAYER: God of great love, you look upon us with mercy and compassion. Touch our hearts with your love, that we may turn again to you and praise you with our lives. In this Lenten season, give us the courage to act justly, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with you. We pray in the name of your Son, Jesus. Amen

READING: **Matthew 20: 17-23**

As Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside by themselves, and said to them on the way. "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Humanity will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and hand him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and scourged and crucified, and he will be raised on the third day."

REFLECTION: 'To change and to change for the better are two different things.

German Proverb

WHAT IS THE GRACE THAT LIVES WITHIN MY DEEPEST SELF THAT GOD IS STIRRING INTO NEW LIFE?

HOW DID OUR TIME TOGETHER THIS MORNING/EVENING REFLECT OUR GROWING SENSE OF TRUST AND GENEROUS LISTENING?

CLOSING PRAYER: Awaken us, O God to this season of Lent. Open the doors of our hearts, the windows of our souls and the walls of our minds. Open us to you: to your call, your desire and our own. Direct our power and passion to create life where there is indifference and to go where you need to be. Give us new hearts ready to receive the freshness of your presence, that we might be bearers of your love to others. Amen

