

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER SERVICE

SILENT MEDITATION

OPENING SENTENCES:

Lord, open unto me.
 Open unto me - **light for my darkness.** Open unto me - **courage for my fear.**
 Open unto me - **hope for my despair.** Open unto me - **peace for my turmoil.**
 Open unto me - **joy for my sorrow.** Open unto me - **strength for my weakness.**
 Open unto me - **wisdom for my confusion.** Open unto me - **forgiveness for my sins.**
 Open unto me - **love for my hates.** Open unto me - **thy Self for my self.**
 Lord, Lord, open unto me! **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN Alleluia Jacques Berthier
 (Leaders will sing through once, then all repeat three times.)

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SILENT MEDITATION ON THE SCRIPTURE

LENTEN HYMN The Call (from *Five Mystical Songs*) Ralph Vaughan Williams
 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life! Such a Way as gives us breath, Such a
 Truth as ends all strife, Such a Life that killeth Death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength! Such a Light as shows a feast, Such a
 Feast as mends in length, Such a Strength as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart! Such a Joy as none can move, Such a Love
 as none can part, Such a Heart as joys in love.

George Herbert

Anne Millett, Soprano
 Ibbie Muntz, Piano

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION:

Let my prayer rise before you as incense, O God,
The lifting of my hands as an evening sacrifice
 (Prayer continues...)

SILENCE:

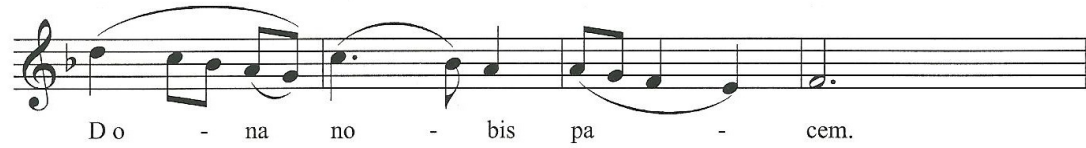
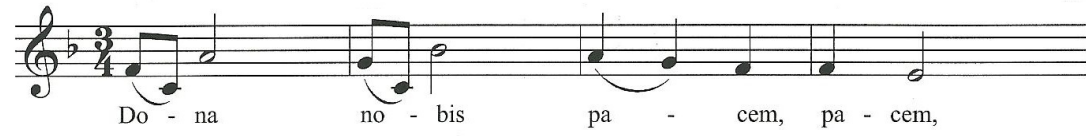
(Leader concludes the silence...)

Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the
 life, death, and resurrection of your Son. As we continue our Lenten journey,
 help us to hear your Word and obey it, that we may become instruments of
 your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you
 and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LENTEN HYMN Dona Nobis Pacem

(Leaders will sing through once, then all repeat three times.)



THE BENEDICTION:

May the Lord, who is our peace, give us peace at all times and in every way. Amen.

PASS THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

(Pass the peace with one another as you leave)

Thank you to Anne Millett and Ibbie Muntz for their enrichment of our worship this evening.