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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

(Portions of the service that are in **BOLD** are to be said by all.  
All points marked \* those who are able are invited to stand.)

## Approach

Gathering Hymn VU #395 – *“Part of the Family”*

Presentation of Symbol

\* Hymn – *“God You Meet Us”* (see insert)

Prayer of Approach and Confession

**God of hope and dreams, we come to worship you longing to discover a life that is deeper and full of meaning. Renew our spirits and open our minds so that we will be ready for the possibilities you set before us. You call us your chosen people. We hunger to be known and to belong. You surround us with people who share your love and family in the friendship in the family of faith. They make a place for us feeding our hunger for roots and connections. Forgive us for overlooking the power of belonging in this place. Transform us so that we will diligently share your love with all who hunger to know you. We pray in Jesus’ name. AMEN**


Assurance of Pardon

Anthem – “Here is the Church”

Children’s Time / The Lord’s Prayer

\* Hymn – *“There’s a Quiet Understanding”* (see insert)

## The Word

 Scripture Reading – Psalm 126  
Philippians 3: 4b-14

**I’m Hungry, Lord; I’m Hungry, Lord;  
My soul cries out for Thee,  
The Living Bread, the Water of Life,  
The One who quickens me.**

Meditation – “Where we belong.”

(a quiet time for your personal reflection and prayer)

## The Response

\* Offering / Response (VU #545)

**You nourish us with food, O God,  
For body and for soul;  
Our love and service is our thanks,  
For life that’s free and whole,  
For life that’s free and whole.**

Announcements

Anthem – “Pray for the People”

Pastoral Prayer

\* Hymn MV #145 – “Draw the Circle Wide”

\* Benediction / Response

**The Lord lift you up, the Lord take your hand,  
The Lord lead you forth, and cause you to stand,  
Secure in God’s word, seeking God’s face,  
Abounding in love, abiding in grace.**

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