

A. SONG

Deep peace drives away our fear
Deep peace for the Lord is here
Standing among us in His risen power.
Jesus is with us here,
with us here and now.
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Such joy ...

B. OPENING PRAYER

Living God,
long ago, faithful women,
proclaimed the good news
of Jesus' resurrection,
and the world was changed forever.

Teach us to keep faith with them,
that our witness may be as bold,
our love as deep,
and our faith as true.
Amen.

C. PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(based on Matthew 14:22-33)

God, You call us to step out in faith,
to place our lives in Your hands,
and to wholeheartedly commit to
following You.

We confess that we find this difficult to do.
It is not always easy to follow where You
lead — to turn away from our own
personal wants and desires, to let go of
our safety nets and trust that You will
provide for us in all things.

Forgive us when we doubt You, God.
Increase our faith.
Open our eyes
to see past
our own interests and concerns,
to Your broader vision for us
and for our world.

In Jesus' name we pray.
Amen.

D. READING

Luke 9:23-24; John 14:12-14; Acts 1:7-8

E. PRAYER

Almighty God,
our heavenly Father,
the privilege is ours
to share in the
loving,
healing,
reconciling
mission of your Son
Jesus Christ,
our Lord,
in this age
and wherever we are.

Since without you
we can do no good thing:

may your Spirit make us wise;
may your Spirit guide us;
may your Spirit renew us;
may your Spirit strengthen us;

so that we will be:

strong in faith,
discerning in proclamation,
courageous in witness,
persistent in good deeds.

To the glory of your name
Amen.

F. LET US PRAY

*"From heaven the Lord looks down
and sees all mankind; from his dwelling
place he watches all who live on earth."
(Psalm 33:13-14)*

Let us pray ...

G. BENEDICTION

(inspired by Luke 10: 38-42)

Go out into the world
to serve God with love.

Be ready to laugh with delight
at the good news God has to offer you.

Make room at your table
for unexpected guests.

When the work of discipleship
leaves you weary or frustrated,
rest in Christ's presence
and listen to what he is saying.

And the blessing of God
- Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit -
go with you today
and always.

Amen.

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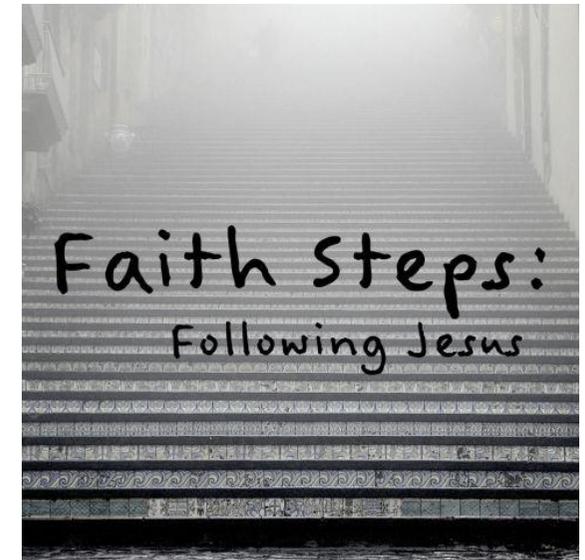
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