



# LENT Prayer Service

April 2, 2025 ~ 6:00 pm

SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE: **Almsgiving**

SCRIPTURE: **Leviticus 19:9-10**, “<sup>9</sup>When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. <sup>10</sup>Do not go over your vineyard a second time or pick up the grapes that have fallen. Leave them for the poor and the foreigner. I am the Lord your God.”

**James 1:27**, “Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.”

## BENEFITS OF ALMSGIVING

- 1. At the heart and the meaning of the word almsgiving are compassion and mercy. As we practice this discipline, we are being Christ to the world.*
- 2. We are reminded to not get caught up in the ways of the world which are self-absorption, selfishness, and materialism.*

THE DISCIPLINE IN PRACTICE: As an act of community and collective participation in this discipline we are invited to consider how you might engage in generous giving prior to Wednesday’s prayer time on **April 9** at **6 pm**. As the Lord leads you to spend time in almsgiving on other days please do so, but especially be intentional to invest in others prior to next Wednesday.

THE INVITATION: As you hear Scripture again, listen for the Holy Spirit, prompting you about how you should respond to the practice of almsgiving both this week, and throughout the Lenten season. Take notes here:

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PRAYER FOCUS: **Kidmin, Student Ministry, and The Porch Young Adult Ministry** (*see additional prayer requests on the back*)