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new.**

Let us bless God for the women who have boldly  
touched our lives;  
who have disrupted our use of power;  
who have made us see what was hidden,  
and feel in our bodies what it means to be  
made whole.

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Let us bless God for the women who know what has  
been done to them;  
whose courage leaves them exposed;  
who, in fear and trembling and steadfast faith,  
proclaim the whole truth of salvation.

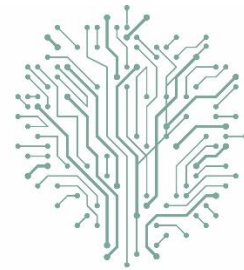
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new. 2.**

## Closing Responses & Blessing

Send us out in love and grace to serve the Lord,  
Send us with thanks giving on our lips,  
Send us with kindness in our hearts.  
Send us to live a life of prayer in our thoughts  
and deeds (1.) and

Bless us and the people we meet along the way  
Father,  
Son  
and Holy Spirit.  
**Amen**

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1 The Abingdon Worship/Preaching Annual  
2021. Page 146/100,  
2 Janet Morley: 2006. All Desires Known:  
Page 80 God, Intimate and Fearful.



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UNITING THE SCATTERED COMMUNITY

## Simple worship for the scattered Christian community

Mark 5: 21-43  
Pentecost 5

### Welcome

An opportunity to welcome people to the gathering

### Responses & Gathering Prayer

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.  
Lord hear my voice!

Holy One, in peace or in pain,  
we call to you,  
and you answer.

Hear our voices, O God,  
and hear the cries of our hearts.

Come and bring us your presence.  
Come and bring us your peace.

**Amen. 1.**

### Music for Reflection

Suggested song: [When Jesus Calls](#)  
[MARK: Illustrated Gospel Project](#), November 30, 2017  
Jordan Redding  
<https://malcolmgordon.bandcamp.com/track/when-jesus-calls-mark-5-36-43>

### Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

You are invited to turn to those around you and offer  
them a word of greeting and peace.

# The Word around the Bush

Mark 5: 21-43

## A Girl Restored to Life and a Woman Healed

<sup>21</sup> When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. <sup>22</sup> Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet <sup>23</sup> and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." <sup>24</sup> So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. <sup>25</sup> Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. <sup>26</sup> She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup> She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup> for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." <sup>29</sup> Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup> Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" <sup>31</sup> And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" <sup>32</sup> He looked all around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup> But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup> He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

<sup>35</sup> While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" <sup>36</sup> But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." <sup>37</sup> He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. <sup>38</sup> When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup> When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." <sup>40</sup> And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup> He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" <sup>42</sup> And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup> He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

# The Message

From your Scattered Community Minister or another leader within your gathering.

## Questions for conversation

- I wonder what you have heard and thought from the Word today?
- Do you have a story of when God showed up and everything changed?
- What one action can you or your church take in response to the Word today?

## Silence in Two Ways

Spend some time in silence sitting still (suggested 5 minutes). Close your eyes lightly. Sit relaxed but alert.

- You may like to say the prayer phrase "Mar-an-ath-a" (which means come Lord). Say this as four syllables. Do not try to think or imagine anything. If thoughts or distractions come simply return to saying the word.
- Or you may like "sitting with God" — a silent time in which we focus all our mind, heart and soul on the presence of God without trying to create it. Simply be still and open to God.

## Prayers for Others

O God, intimate and fearful,  
who carried us in tenderness within our mother's womb;  
who appointed us to speak when we were yet unborn:  
touch our moths with the truth,  
and take away our fear,  
that we may proclaim you to the nations and  
celebrate your mighty acts.

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Let us bless God for the women whose blood has  
flowed that others might have life;  
who have suffered at the hands of their allies;  
who have refused to accept shame;  
who have demanded healing.