



**Table Church April 3, 2022**  
**Usher: Mark W. Greeter: Jannat**

WELCOME!

Call to Worship

Leader: Together we seek the way of God,

**People: who makes a way in the sea  
and provides rivers in the desert.**

Leader: God fills our lives with love and beauty  
as sweet fragrance fills the air.

**People: We live within the abundance of God,**

Leader: so let us laugh and shout for joy.

**ALL: as we worship God together.**

Singing: Here I Am to Worship (VT 227)  
Dismissal of Nursery (0-3) & Children's Church (3-7)  
Led by Sally, Jannat & Beth

#### STORY

The scriptures help us to know "God's Story" of salvation and shalom and point us to Jesus. We like to create space to interpret them together by listening to each other and the voice of the Spirit.

John 12:1-8 NIRV

**1** It was six days before the Passover Feast. Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived. Lazarus was the one Jesus had raised from the dead. **2** A dinner was given at Bethany to honor Jesus. Martha served the food. Lazarus was among the people at the table with Jesus. **3** Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard. It was an expensive perfume. She poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the sweet smell of the perfume. **4** But Judas Iscariot didn't like what Mary did. He was one of Jesus' disciples. Later he was going to hand Jesus over to his enemies. Judas said, **5** "Why wasn't this perfume sold? Why wasn't the money given to poor people? It was worth a year's pay." **6** He didn't say this because he cared about the poor. He said it because he was a thief. Judas was in charge of the money bag. He used to help himself to what was in it. **7** "Leave her alone," Jesus replied. "The perfume was meant for the day I am buried. **8** You will always have the poor among you. But you won't always have me."

#### WONDERING, REFLECTING, and SHARING

Looking at the 2 pictures on the table, which one more accurately depicts how you perceive this story? Explain. What are ways that we show generosity in our devotion to Jesus? (Make it personal)  
In a faith tradition that places a high value on stewardship and living simplistically, what can we learn from Mary's example?

Singing: Above All (see back of this page)  
Fill Us with Your Feast (VT 309)

Prayer for offering  
Announcements and sharing time

Blessing/Benediction

Sending Song: Build My Life (VT 92)

## Above All

Above all powers, above all kings  
Above all nature and all created things  
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man  
You were here before the world began.

Above all kingdoms, above all thrones  
Above all wonders the world has ever known.  
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth  
There's no way to measure what You're worth.

## Chorus

Crucified, laid behind the stone  
You lived to die, rejected and alone.  
Like a rose, trampled on the ground.  
You took the fall and thought of me above all.

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