## Community Service of Prayer and Remembrance

Opening Words and Scripture Sentence

John Cairns

**Opening Responses** 

Leader: O God, lead us from death to life,

People: from falsehood to truth.

Leader: O God, lead us from despair to hope,

People: from fear to trust.

Leader: O God, lead us from hate to love,

People: **from war to peace.**Leader: Let peace fill our hearts,

People: our world, our universe. Amen.

**Hymn 170** "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want" *Psalm 23* 

Invocation

Psalm Sentence and Observation of Minute of Silence

**Reading and Prayer** Habakkuk 1:2-4; 2:1-3 Robert McLaughlin

**Reading and Prayer** Lamentations 3:17-26 Sarah Sarchet Butter

**Reading and Prayer** Psalm 139:1-12 *Michael Sternfield* 

**Reflection** John Buchanan

**Affirmation of Faith** (unison) Words of Desmond Tutu

We believe that

goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate; light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death;

victory is ours through the God who loves us.

**Hymn 210** "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" Psalm 90

Blessing John Cairns

Worship participants Robert McLaughlin, Holy Name Cathedral

Michael Sternfield, Chicago Sinai Congregation John Buchanan, Fourth Presbyterian Church Sarah Sarchet Butter, Fourth Presbyterian Church John Cairns, Fourth Presbyterian Church

A forty-five-minute organ concert by William Jean Randall, originally scheduled for 12:10 p.m. today, will follow this service.