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Presence

Week 5– Floris UMC

April 3-9, 2022

[John 14:25-31](#)

PRAYER

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, may your Holy presence make its dwelling place in my soul. God of love and grace I give thanks for your faithfulness and the steadfast way in which you light my path. I rejoice in your peace that surpasses all understanding and pray for the peace of the world.

DAILY DEVOTIONAL – Watch the [Daily Lift](#) for Lenten devotionals.

SUNDAY SERMON – [Link to Sermon](#). Sunday sermons will be posted on the website by Monday morning.

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

1. In John 14:27, Jesus says he gives us peace unlike the peace the world gives to us. How is that different?
2. Mr. Morimoto offers himself to be an empathic support with no judgement to people who are going through deep personal challenges. Why do you think Mr. Morimoto can make a living in his job? What is attracting people to him?
3. We long for presence and connection in our lives. How does it feel to know the Holy Spirit is always with you and God loves and accepts you just as you are?
4. Sometimes, the best thing we can do for people who are suffering is to be just present. Our presence alone can bring comfort to those who are hurting. When has someone's presence really helped you? Who can you think of that needs your presence?
5. How can we experience the Presence of Jesus? In what ways can you practice Christ's presence in your daily life?
6. Many of us are praying for peace in Ukraine right now. When we pray, what are we really praying for?
7. When Christ's presence is experienced in our hearts and in our lives, we can face any challenge or circumstance head on. How can we share that Presence with the people around us so that they too can experience peace?

GO DEEPER SUGGESTIONS

- Link to video of [Tom and Dr. Laura Holmes](#) talking about this week's word.
- Music "[God with Us](#)" or "[Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross](#)"
- [Washington Post article](#) on Mr. Morimoto.
- Mindfulness Meditation: [Being Still in the Presence of God](#)

