



Pathways Monthly Prayer Readings January 2022

Tuesday, Month of January
Contemplative Sit Practice

Our contemplative practice for January is Being Here. Despite uncertainty and disorder, the present moment is a great opportunity to awaken to deeper transformation, love, and hope. Amid the widespread need for healing, reality offers us an invitation to depth—to discover what is lasting and what matters.

Here

Here I am

Here I am with you

Here is all of me

Here we are

Here

Wed. Jan. 12, 2022 Lectio
John 2:1-11

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Three days later, there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and Mary, the mother of Jesus, was there. Jesus and his disciples had likewise been invited to the celebration.

At a certain point, the wine ran out, and Jesus' mother told him, "They have no wine."

Jesus replied, "Mother, what does that have to do with me? My hour has not yet come."

She instructed those waiting on tables, "Do whatever he tells you."

As prescribed for Jewish ceremonial washings, there were six stone jars on hand, each one holding between fifteen and twenty-five gallons. "Fill those jars with water," Jesus said, and the servers filled them to the brim.

"Now," said Jesus, "draw some out, and take it to the caterer." They did as they were instructed.

The caterer tasted the water-without knowing where it had come from;

the only ones who knew were those waiting on tables, since they had drawn the water.

The caterer called the bride and groom over and remarked,

"People usually serve the best wine first; then when the guests have been drinking a while, a lesser vintage is served. What you've done is to keep the best wine until now!"

Jesus performed this first of his signs at Cana in Galilee; in this way he revealed his glory; and the disciples believed in him. -Inclusive Bible

Thur. Jan. 13, 2022
Centering Prayer
Psalm 36:5-10

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Your steadfast love, O God, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,
your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

O continue your steadfast love to those who know you,
and your salvation to the upright of heart!

<p>Wed. Jan. 19, 2022 Lectio Luke 4:14-21</p>	<p>Luke 4:14-21 Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and his reputation spread throughout the region. He was teaching in the Galilean synagogues and all were loud in their praise. Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. Entering the synagogue on the Sabbath, as was his habit, Jesus stood up to do the reading. When the book of the prophet Isaiah was handed him, he unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: "The Spirit of our God is upon me; because the Most High has anointed me to bring Good News to those who are poor. God has sent me to proclaim liberty to those held captive, recovery of sight to those who are blind, and release to those in prison- to proclaim the year of our God's favor." Rolling up the scroll, Jesus gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he said to them, "Today, in your hearing, this scripture passage is fulfilled." -Inclusive Bible</p>
<p>Thur. Jan. 20, 2022 Centering Prayer Psalm 19</p>	<p>Psalm 19:1-6 The heavens herald your glory, O God, and the skies display your handiwork. Day after day they tell their story, and night after night they reveal the depth of their understanding. without speech, without words, without even an audible voice, their cry echoes through all the world and their message reaches the ends of the earth. For in the heavens the sun has pitched a tent. It comes forth with the grandeur of a wedding procession, with the eagerness of an athlete ready to race. It rises at one end of the sky And travels to the other end, And nothing escapes its warmth. -Inclusive Bible</p>
<p>Wed. Jan. 26, 2022 Lectio Like 4:21-30</p>	<p>Jeremiah 1:4-10 Now the word of God came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I chose you. Before you were born, I consecrated you. I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." I said, "But Sovereign GOD! I don't know how to speak! I'm too young!" But God said, "Do not say, 'I am too young. Now, go wherever I send you. And say whatever I command you. Do not fear anyone, for I am with you to protect you. It is God who speaks." Then God touched my mouth and said to me, "Look, I am putting my words in your mouth. This day I appoint you over nations and territories to uproot and to tear down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant." -Inclusive Bible</p>

	<p>OR</p> <p>1 Corinthians 13:1-13</p> <p>Even if I speak in all the tongues of the earth-and those of the angels too-but do not have love, I am a noisy gong, a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy such that I can comprehend all mysteries and all knowledge, or if I have all faith great enough to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away everything I own to feed those poorer than I, then hand over my body, but do not have love, I have gained nothing.</p> <p>Love is patient; love is kind. Love is not jealous, it does not put on airs, and it is not snobbish; it is never rude or self-seeking; it is not prone to anger, nor does it brood over injuries. Love doesn't rejoice in what is wrong but rejoices in the truth. There is no limit to love's forbearance, to its trust, its hope, its power to endure. Love never fails. Prophecies will cease; tongues will be silent; knowledge will pass away. Our knowledge is only in part and our prophesying is only in part. When the complete comes, the partial will pass away.</p> <p>When I was a child, I used to speak like a child, think like a child, reason like a child. But when I became an adult, I put childish ways aside. Now we see indistinctly, as in a mirror; then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know even as I am known. There are in the end, three things that last: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love. -Inclusive Bible</p>
<p>Thur. Jan. 27, 2022</p> <p>Centering Prayer</p> <p>Psalms 71:1-6</p>	<p>Psalms 71:1-6</p> <p>In you, O God, I take shelter- let me never be disappointed.</p> <p>In your justice rescue me; deliver me, Turn your ear to me and save me!</p> <p>Be mine, O mountain of strength! Send your decree-deliver me, For you are my rock, my fortress!</p> <p>O God, rescue me from the hand of the violent, from the clutches of the thief and outlaw!</p> <p>For you alone are my hope, YHWH my sovereign- I have trusted you since my youth. I have relied on you from the womb; you sustained me from my mother's breast; to you I give constant praise. -Inclusive Bible</p>