

## WEEK 6 SHALOM

### RECONCILIATION

*This Lenten journey of exploring shalom has led us to this final week known as Holy week. In this final week may we continue to reflect on how we can accept this gift of shalom of justice, peace, wholeness/healing, hope, repairing/restoring, and God's reconciliation and share it with the world. Some of this week's daily scriptures are paired and put in parenthesis. The daily scriptures are Isaiah 1:17, Romans 12:18,(Matthew 21:23-27, Matthew 5:23-24), (John 13:1-11, Genesis 33:3-4), (John 13:34-35, Psalm 89:14), John 19:16-17, (Matthew 27:57-61, Proverbs 21:3).*

Our Lenten journey now brings us to Holy week where we typically walk all the final steps with Jesus to the cross. In some Christian traditions there are services every day of Holy week. This is so that in this final week Christ's disciples seek to feel some of what Jesus felt on his journey to the cross. The final week of Christ's life began with a real high point where he was being celebrated and praised then just as quickly that same crowd turned on him leading to his death. How quickly the tide can turn and yet we know how God's plan of shalom culminates when we celebrate the death and resurrection which made reconciling the world to God possible.

REFLECT- What rebirth can reconciliation bring into your life? Where in your life have you seen the healing power of reconciliation? What hurt, hatred, or grudges do you need to nail to the cross and laid to rest in the tomb so that on Easter morning you can see the new thing God is doing?