

## Saturday of the Third Week of Lent

**Readings:** Hosea 6.1-6 – Purifying rain; Luke 18.9-14 – God’s presence.

**Reality:** A poem – “Springtime” - “Spring – your journey has ended here, in a drought? Dreaming – God is plowing. Seeding – the planter scatters. The seed is sown. It is covered by plowed earth. Caressed and held, waiting for the rain. Waiting – Heat dances on the crackled earthen floor. Skipping down the city streets, it tiptoes on colored roof tops. Craving – A solitary cloud creeps across the empty creek moaning, rain, rain, rain.” -rvb.

**Prayer:** God is mercy, love, and compassion – the rain falls on the just and the unjust.

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