

## WEEKLY LENTEN CHALLENGE – March 22, 2020

### Listen -- the third habit

#### Questions:

1. Reflect on your life of prayer. When have you found it hard to hear the Spirit's voice speaking into your life? When have you found yourself particularly open to the Spirit's voice? What has made the difference?
2. Do you find solitude, silence, and prayer to be enriching or intimidating? Both? Neither? What about these habits appeals to you?
3. What challenges do you face in setting aside time to listen for the Spirit's voice? What would help you protect that time as a regular habit?

Questions from Michael Frost, *Surprise the World: The Five Habits of Highly Missional People* (Colorado Springs: NavPress, 2016), pages 112-113.

#### ELCIC Missional Challenge: 'Together in Mission'

##### **Martin Luther University College (\$316,000)**

- Previously known as Waterloo Lutheran Seminary
- Martin Luther University College:
  - Prepares and provides ongoing training to pastors and other leaders for ministry
  - Trains students for careers in counselling where they strengthen the health and well-being of our neighbours in hospitals, long-term-care homes, hospices, and of people seeking help from counselling agencies and private psychotherapy practices.
  - Operates the Delton Glebe Counselling Centre that provides affordable counselling services to students and those in the community and serves as a resource to pastors and congregations for mental health issues.
  - Provides youth with the opportunity to grow their faith as they pursue a university education through an undergraduate Christian Studies and Global Citizenship program, we provide Lutheran
  - Experiments with new forms of worship in changing times (e.g. thirdspace)
  - Builds community and understanding across faiths and cultures (e.g. through the Kanata Centre for Worship and Global Song, and the Abrahamic Faiths Forum)

- Practices reconciliation with our First Nations neighbours and server as a resource for congregations that also want to foster reconciliation.
- Demonstrates the fact that religion — and people of faith — have a legitimate place in the public square through the Centre for Public Ethics

Thank you for your benevolence offerings!