

TODAY'S SERVICE

CULTIVATING CONNECTION WITH SELF, OTHERS, THE WIDE WORLD, AND GOD

FEEL FREE TO USE PRONOUNS OF YOUR CHOICE FOR ALL SONGS AND PRAYERS

Chimes

Gathering Statement

We gather this morning to connect with the Divine, with ourselves, with each other, and with the Oneness of all Creation. We gather because inclusive community built around shared stories and rituals inspires us to pursue justice and live out our values.

Song: Come Fall On Us

(Benoit Pasley Henry, Robin D Pasley)

A thankful heart

Prepares the way for you my God

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Come fall on us, we fall on you

A thankful heart will be our rhythm

Come fall on us, we fall on you

A thankful heart will be our song

Sarum Prayer

God be in my head

and in my understanding;

God be in my eyes

and in my looking;

God be in my mouth

and in my speaking;

God be in my heart

and in my thinking;

God be at my end

and at my departing

A reading from Psalm 36:

Lord, your faithful love reaches to the sky.

Your faithfulness is as high as the clouds.

Your goodness is higher than the highest mountains.

Your fairness is deeper than the deepest ocean.

Lord, you protect people and animals.

Nothing is more precious than your loving kindness.

All people can find protection close to you.

They get strength from all the good things in your house.

You let them drink from your wonderful river.

The fountain of life flows from you.

Your light lets us see light.

Announcements

Sermon

Scripture Reference - John 15:12-17 "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you....I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from God. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that God will give you whatever you ask in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Candles

Remembering the Names: George Floyd, Ruth Whitfield, Treyvon Martin, Ryan White-Mountain Soft, Michelle Cusseaux, Antonio Martin, John Crawford III, Jasmine Cannady, Maurice Gordon, Iris Santos, Tony McDade, Dominique "Rem'mie" Fells, Dijon Kizzee, Geraldine Talley, Soon Chung Park, Daunte Wright, Jasvinder Kaur, Elcias Hernandez-Ortiz, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, Margus Morrison, and those we haven't named. We hold them and their families in our hearts.

This week we also remember those who were killed and left in unmarked graves at dozens of Indian boarding schools across the United States. The Department of the Interior released a heartbreaking report this week that we want to acknowledge and lift into the light, asking forgiveness and for the Creator to help us with restoration, reparation, and the healing of intergenerational trauma caused by these state-sanctioned boarding schools that were created to uphold white supremacy. God, have mercy.

Prayer for Loved Ones: Ethan, Annie, Kristy, Laura, Deb, Audrey, Jessica, Lisa and Jason, Dave and Heather, Kris, Kharin, Mike and Janine, Natalie, Linda, Ken and Eleanor, Eddie, Kevin, Holly Ann, Pat, Johnny, Mindy, William, Caleb, Anne, Lauretta, Bob, Bishop Yvette Flunder, Bishop

Bonnie Perry, Bishop Darrell Goodwin, Bishop Tim Wolfe,
Lilliana, Leah, Alicia, Patrisse, Opal, Ozone House,
immigrants and those we lift up in silence.

Call and Response

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Communion

The Lord's Prayer

Our Creator in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kin_dom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.

For the kin_dom, the power, and the glory are yours. Now
and forever. Amen.

Your Peace Will Make Us One

(Audrey Assad)

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord
You are speaking truth to power, you are laying down our
swords
Replanting every vineyard 'til a brand new wine is poured
Your peace will make us one

I've seen you in our home fires burning with a quiet light
You are parenting and feeding in the wee hours of the
night
Your gentle love is patient, you will never fade or tire
Your peace will make us one

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
Your peace will make us one

In the beauty of the lilies, you were born across the sea
With a glory in your bosom that is still transfiguring
Dismantling our empires 'til each one of us is free
Your peace will make us one

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Communal Prayer Call & Response

Leader: The highest skies are in love with You.

The great Earth opens its palms in peace.

Everyone:

Our truest being is anchored in Your goodness.

You are God, Compassionate being of three.

Leader: Everything praises You, sound its true note.

All the Enlightened chant praises.

Everyone:

**Every being takes its refuge in You, And the
light of Your Holy Compassion frees us all.**

Leader: Everything looks to you, without thinking.

Shower us with Your Healing Rain!

Everyone:

**Help us to overcome, give life to what has
withered, And water the roots of kindness in
us.**

Nothing Stands Between Us

(John Mark McMillan)

River of gladness fill my soul
Jesus, You're my greatest thought
God, I know

I see the light
I see the lightning
I hear Your voice
Inside the cracking thunder

Singing, nothing stands between us
Oh, nothing stands between us
But love now
Nothing stands between us
Oh, nothing stands between us but love

River of gladness take control
There's a cup of joy for every taste of sorrow

I see the light

I see the lightning

I see the lightning

I hear Your voice

Inside the cracking thunder

Nothing stands between us, oh

Singing, nothing stands between us

Oh, nothing stands between us

But love now

Nothing stands between us

Oh, nothing stands between us but love now

Nothing stands between us

Oh, nothing stands between us but love

Have I tried to scale Your walls in vain?

To cross Your seas I've pushed against Your waves

What for all the miles have You to say

Were You there beside me this whole way

You always find me

In between the thunder and the lightning

Benediction

Go in peace. Wash your hands. Love your neighbors.

You are not alone.

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