
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 61:

Hear my cry, O God; listen to my prayer.

From the ends of the earth I call to you,

I call as my heart grows faint;

lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

For you have been my refuge,

a strong tower against the foe.

I long to dwell in your tent forever

and take refuge in the shelter of your wings.

For you, God, have heard my vows;

you have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.

Announcements

Sermon

Lead me to the Rock (Psalm 61)

I want to rest in you, God

Shelter me in your wing

I want to rest in your love

Shelter me in your peace

You are where I hide,

in your tower I am kept

Held even in the shadow of death

So listen to my cry, God,

you're all that I have left

When I feel so far away,

and I'm down to my last breath

Lead me to the Rock that is higher than I

Sink into your love, going deeper, wider

My life in your love, your love it tells my story

Lead me to the Rock, higher, higher

I Am Here

I know you've seen so many things

that make you wonder if I even exist

And I know you've felt so many things

that make you think that I don't keep promises

I know you've seen so many things

that make you wonder if my love is enough

And I know you've felt so many things

that make you think you may just want to give up

But I am here by your side

I never left the times you've cried

I am here always

I am listening night and day

You are not alone, you are not alone,

You are not alone, I am here

Remember when I held you -

in a mother's arms you feel my embrace
 And when you smile I feel it too,
 joy is by design connection to me

With the hurting near or far,
 I am with them, I can hear them,
 In the light or in the dark,
 look for love and there I'll be

I am here by your side.
 I never left the times you've cried.
 I am here always.
 I am listening night and day

You are not alone, you are not alone,
 You are not alone, I am here (x2)

You are not alone, you have a home,
 you are loved, and you are mine.

Candles

Remembering the Names: Patrick Lyoya, Clarence Leading Fighter, Tamir Rice, Delaina Ashley Yuan, Freddie Gray, Paloma Vazquez, Andre Mackneil, Mario Gonzalez, Diamond Sanders, Philando Castille, Sandra Bland, Amarjeet Johal, Daoyou Feng, Andre Hill, Hyun Jung Grant, Akai Gurley, Paul Castaway, Elijah McClain, Ramon Timothy Lopez, Katherine Massey, Jonathan Tubby, and those we haven't named. We hold them and their families in our hearts.

Prayer for Loved Ones: Dave & Sheila, Lupe, Ashley, Onhadashen, widows and orphans, Susie and Jim, Lynne and Kurt, Dave and Heather, Kharin, Mike and Janine, Natalie, Linda, Ken and Eleanor, Eddie, Kevin, Holly Ann, Pat, Johnny, Amy, Jim and Deb, Mindy, William, Caleb, Anne, Laretta, Bob, Bishop Yvette Flunder, Bishop Bonnie Perry, Bishop Darrell Goodwin, Bishop Tim Wolfe, Lilliana, Leah, Alicia, Patrisse, Opal, Ozone House, immigrants, trans youth and their families, 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.

Beautiful Things

(Lisa Gungor/Michael Gungor)

All this pain
 I wonder if I'll ever find my way
 I wonder if my life could really change, at all

All this earth
 Could all that is lost ever be found?
 Could a garden come out from this ground, at all?

(Chorus)
 You make beautiful things
 You make beautiful things out of the dust
 You make beautiful things
 You make beautiful things out of us

All around,
 Hope is springing up from this old ground
 Out of chaos life is being found, in you

(Chorus)
 You make me new,
 You are making me new
 You make me new,
 You are making me new

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.**

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord
Thou my Creator, and I thy true child
Thou in me dwelling and I with thee one

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise
Thou mine inheritance, now and always
Thou and thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art

Benediction

***Go in peace. Wash your hands. Love your neighbors.
You are not alone.***

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