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.

Call to Worship: Come Fall On Us
A thankful heart prepares the way for you my God
A thankful heart prepares the way for you my God
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 the gospel of Luke, chapter 13, from the Sarah Ruden translation:
What is the kingdom of God like, and to what shall I compare it? It’s like the seed of a mustard plant: a man took the seed and tossed it into his garden, and it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the sky found shelter among its branches.

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.

Prayers for Loved Ones: Sharyn, Bill and family, the Lamb family, the Lyons family, Evan, Janice, the Diamond family, the McCormick family, Lisa & Jason, MJ, Jack & Mai (pronounced “my”), Rhonda & family, Susie and Jim, Kurt and family, Deb and Jim, Dave and Heather, Kris, Kharin, Mike and Janine, Brian, Natalie, Linda, Ken and Eleanor, Eddie, Kevin, Holly Ann, Pat, Mindy, William, Caleb, Anne, Lauretta, Bob, Bishop Yvette Flunder, Bishop Bonnie Perry, Bishop Darrell Goodwin, Bishop Tim Wolfe, Lillian, Leah, Alicia, Patrisse, Opal, Ozone House, immigrants and those we lift up in silence.

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.

Communion

Song: Into Silence
By Danielle Anne Lynch
Unknown, unnameable, in our midst.
May music speak your name into silence.

Let us together acknowledge the dignity of all people each created in your image until the end of time.
When we have more than we need, help us to share with others.
May our faults become gifts of healing.

Let us remember to live in the mystery where we seek wisdom
to live in harmony and recognise ourselves in you.

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**Benediction**

*Go in peace, wash your hands, love your neighbor, you are not alone.*