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
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 Matthew 5:
Jesus said: “You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its taste, it cannot be made salty again. Salt is useless if it loses its salty taste. It will be thrown out where people will just walk on it.

“You are the light that shines for the world to see. You are like a city built on a hill that cannot be hidden. People don’t hide a lamp under a bowl. They put it on a lampstand. Then the light shines for everyone in the house. In the same way, you should be a light for other people. Live so that they will see the good things you do and praise your Creator in heaven.

Dismiss the Kids

Announcements

Sermon

Candles

Remembering the Names: Kesha Webster, Treyvon Martin, Joshua Spottedhorse, Roberta Drury, Rayshard Brooks, Naomie Skinner, Yong Ae Yue, Germane Reed, Heyward Patterson, Nedra Sequence Morris, Adam Toledo, Cornelius Fredericks, Nicolas Chavez, Michael Brown, Cypress Ramos, Walter Wallace Jr, Malcolm Harsch, Ma’Khia Bryant, Robert Fuller, and those we haven’t named. We hold them and their families in our hearts.

Prayer for Loved Ones: Jenna, Elijah, Dottie, Shannon, MJ, Lydi, Evan, Michelle, Donna and Penny, Rhonda & family, Jim, Kurt, Deb and Jim, Dave and Heather, Kris, Kharin, Mike and Janine, Brian, Natalie, Linda, Ken and Eleanor, Eddie, Kevin, Holly Ann, Pat, Mindy, William, Calob, Anne, Lauretta, Bob, Bishop Yvette Flunder, Bishop Bonnie Perry, Bishop Darrell Goodwin, Bishop Tim Wolfe, Lilliana, Sheila, Leah, Alicia, Patrisse, Opal, Ozone House, and those we lift up in silence.

Communion

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.

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.

Vapor
(Gungor)
Oh the vapor of it all
It’s a chasing of the wind, the substance of the form
So pale and thin
Let the veil of earth be stretched again

Holy, all behold the holy
Trees clap their hands for you
Oceans they dance for you
Heaven taunts the hearts of men
We can feel it from within, the beauty of it all
The mystery, The swelling of a voice, a rising sea

Holy, all behold the holy
Trees clap their hands for you
Oceans they dance for you
You are holy, infinite and holy

A billion suns rise for you
Clouds paint the skies for you
Mountains stand tall for you
Valleys bow down to You
Everything rising to sing all our songs to you

Holy the impossible and holy
Kings become fools for you
Kingdoms to ruins for you
Vapor finds ground in you
Music finds sound in you
Everything rising, everything rising
Everything rising, everything rising, everything rising

Come like dawn, like grace, like sunlight
Bring this world to life
Come like rain, like breath, like springtime
Bring this world to life

Stand In Your Love
(Ethan Hulse, Josh Baldwin, Marcus R. Harris, Rita Springer)
When darkness tries to roll over my bones
When sorrow comes to steal the joy I own
When brokenness and pain is all I know
Oh, I won’t be shaken, no, I won’t be shaken
My fear doesn’t stand a chance
When I stand in Your love
My fear doesn’t stand a chance
When I stand in Your love
My fear doesn’t stand a chance
When I stand in Your love!

Shame no longer has a place to hide
I am not a captive to the lies
I’m not afraid to leave my past behind
Oh, I won’t be shaken, no, I won’t be shaken!

There’s power that can break off every chain
There’s power that can empty out a grave
There’s resurrection power that can save
There’s power in Your name, power in Your name

Benediction
Today and throughout the week, may you be filled with curiosity and determination to find what you seek. May you be aware and grateful for the “everyday” and the unexpected. May you be confident, knowing that God’s love and presence exists in all things and that all things shall be well.

Go in peace. Love your neighbors. You are not alone. Amen.