

# 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 (Psalm 50)

(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 13:31-35

Then Jesus told the people another story: "God's realm is like a mustard seed that a man plants in his field. It is the smallest of all seeds. But when it grows, it is the largest of all garden plants. It becomes a tree big enough for the birds to come and make nests in its branches."

Then Jesus told them another story: "God's realm is like yeast that a woman mixes into a big bowl of flour to make bread. The yeast makes all the dough rise."

Jesus used stories to tell all these things to the people. This was to make clear the full meaning of what the prophet said: "I will speak using stories; I will tell things that have been secrets since the world was made."

## Dismiss the Kids

### Announcements

### Sermon

### Candles

**Remembering the Names:** Keshia 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

**Prayer for Loved Ones:** Janice, Shannon, Ron, Lydia, Jackie, Yvonne, John, Tyler and Courtney and family, Marcia and Tom, Evan, Michelle, Haevyn, Rhonda & family, Jim, Kurt, Beth Deb & Jim, Dave and Heather, Mindy, Kris, Kharin, Mike and Janine, Calob, Janie, Bishop Yvette Flunder, Bishop Bonnie Perry, Bishop Darrell Goodwin, Bishop Tim Wolfe, Lilliana, Zooley, Leah, Alicia, Patrisse, Opal, Ozone House

## 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.

**All the Poor and Powerless**

(Leslie Jordan, David Leonard)

All the poor and powerless  
 And all the lost and lonely  
 And all the thieves will come confess  
 And know that You are holy  
 And know that You are holy

And all will sing out  
 Hallelujah  
 And we will cry out  
 Hallelujah

All the hearts who are content  
 And all who feel unworthy  
 And all who hurt with nothing left  
 Will know that You are holy

Shout it  
 Go on and scream it from the mountains  
 Go on and tell it to the masses  
 That He is God

**Faith**

(Semler)

When my religion turned against me  
 They said my hopes and dreams were faulty  
 I showed the holes inside my hands  
 And they claimed they couldn't see

So I've been walking with a blindfold  
 Towards the promise of revival  
 And it's not the one you preach  
 It's the one we need

You got me singing, "Hallelujah"  
 And I don't even wanna do it  
 I'm just trying to be free  
 We're just dying for some peace

But I still have faith  
 When you call my name  
 Never been the same  
 I still have faith  
 How you comfort me  
 When they come for me  
 Call that mercy

Don't pretend like you don't know me  
 Don't pretend I'm not your body  
 I'm your friend, I am your kin  
 Why won't you let me in?

You with power, lend an ear  
 You with power, lend a hand  
 What a lovely house you've built  
 What a shame it's made of sand

Our God is good and able  
 And our God is flipping tables  
 At the mess of love we made

Mercy like I never knew  
 But I don't wanna keep quiet  
 Just to keep you  
 I call that  
 Mercy like I've been in bloom  
 But I don't wanna get small  
 To be in those rooms

**Benediction**

***Go in peace. Rest with joy. Love your neighbor. You are not alone.***

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