

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 today 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: So So Good

This is my story I'll Testify

Blessings on Blessings you poured in my life

When I start remembering

How good you've been

Verse 2

Fear turns to worship tears turn to praise

Chains of Depression Broken by grace

When I start remembering

How good you've been

Chorus 1

You've been so so so so so so good to me

so so so so so so good to me

Verse 3

The enemy's weapons fall to the ground

Armies of heaven always surround

When I start remembering

How you carried my cross

You called me by name

Loved me like I was

But you didn't leave me that way

Was dead now I live yea that's what you did

Chorus 2

You've been so so so so so so good to me

so so so so so so good to me

From morning to night

The Lows and the Highs

I look back on my life

And all that I see

You've been so so so so so so good to me

Verse 4

When I say God Is Good

You Say All the time

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

SCRIPTURE READING:

A Reading from Ephesians 3:16-20

So I ask for God to give you the power to be strong in your spirits. God will give you that strength through their Spirit. I pray that Christ will live in your hearts because of your faith. I pray that your life will be strong in love and be built on love. And I pray that you and all God's holy people will have the power to understand the greatness of Christ's love—how wide, how long, how high, and how deep that love is. Christ's love is greater than anyone can ever know, but I pray that you will be able to know that love. Then you can be filled with everything God has for you.

With God's power working in us, they can do much, much more than anything we can ask or think of.

Those who have ears, let them hear.

Dismiss the Kids

Announcements

Sermon

Candles

WE REMEMBER

Robert Brooks, Sonya Massey, Niani Finlayson, Treyvon Martin, Joshua Spottedhorse, Roberta Drury, Rayshard Brooks, Naomie Skinner, Yong Ae Yue, Germane Reed, Heyward Patterson, Cameron Lamb, Nedra Sequence Morris, Adam Toledo, Nicolas Chavez, Keshia Webster, Maurice Gordon, Cypress Ramos, Latoya James, Semaj Billingslea, Robert Fuller and those we haven't named. We hold them and their families in our hearts.

PRAYER FOR LOVED ONES

Constance, Erica, Audrey, Ashton, Landon, the Sarr family,
Clark, Lottie, Lina, Mike, Julie, George, Ryan, Manoj,
Shoba, Karen, Amy, Erika, Sarah, Bobbie, Corey, Glenn,
Donovan, Karen, Jack, Yvonne, Steven, Diane, Rae,
Christina, Sue, John, Haevyn, Rhonda & family, Jim, Kurt,
Mindy, Calob, Janie, Bishop Yvette Flunder, Bishop
Bonnie Perry, Bishop Darrell Goodwin, Bishop Tim Wolfe,
Leah, David, Hope Clinic, JFS, Ozone House, immigrants,
the Ypsilanti Youth Choir and those we lift up in silence.

Song to Welcome Kids

Jesus loves the little children,
All the children of the world.
Stranger, friend, and neighbor too,
He loves them as he loves you.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.
Jesus loves the little children,
All the children of the world.
Every color, every race
They're all covered by his grace.
Jesus loves the little children of the world

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.

Shared Communion Meal: This is a gift Jesus gave us, a
ritual to remember God's love through him, so we think of
him every time we eat and drink Communion.

COMMUNION SONG: Run To The Father

I've carried a burden for too long on my own
I wasn't created to bear it alone
I hear Your invitation to let it all go
I see it now, I'm laying it down

I know that I need You

Chorus 1

I run to the Father, I fall into grace
I'm done with the hiding, no reason to wait
My heart needs a surgeon, my soul needs a friend
So I'll run to the Father again and again
And again and again, ohoh, ohoh, ohoh

You saw my condition, had a plan from the start
Your Son for redemption, the price for my heart
And I don't have a context for that kind of love
I don't understand, I can't comprehend
All I know is I need You

My heart has been in Your sights, long before my first
breath
Running into Your arms is running to life from death
And I feel this rush deep in my chest, Your mercy is calling
out
Just as I am You pull me in, I know I need You now

CLOSING SONG: My Testimony

I saw satan fall like lightning
I saw darkness run for cover
But the miracle that I just can't get over
My name is registered in heaven

I believe in signs and wonders
I have resurrection power
Still the miracle that I just can't get over
My name is registered in heaven
My praise belongs to you forever
Chorus
This is my testimony from death to life
'Cause grace rewrote my story, I'll testify
By Jesus Christ the Righteous, I'm justified
This is my testimony,(this is my testimony)

Come together sons and daughters
Bought with blood and washed in water
Sing the praises of the Spirit, Son and Father
Our God will finish what He started
Our God will finish what He started

If I'm not dead, You're not done
Greater things are still to come, oh I
believe

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