

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 the teachings of Jesus, 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 Matthew 5:13-16

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 lamp stand. 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 Father in heaven.

Those who have ears, let them hear.

Dismiss the Kids

Announcements

Sermon

Candles

WE REMEMBER

Michael Brown, Roger Fortson, Sandra Bland, Raymond Mattia, Jasmine Cannady, Jaswinder Singh, Ezell Ford, Hyun Jung Grant, Margus Morrison, Cornelius Fredericks, Corey Kanosh, Angela Carr, Walter Wallace Jr., Jerrald Gallion, Irvo Otieno, Gary Jackson, Ta'Kiya Young, Brandon Laducer, Brazil Johnson, Katherine Massey and those we haven't named. We hold them and their families in our hearts.

PRAYER FOR LOVED ONES

Dark Angel, Josh Gwen, Seitu(Say-Two), Maggie, Kiinley, Fatema, Afsheen and family, Ted, Amy, Audrey, John,

Danny, Dan, Zachary, Zoe, Alexandra, Joseph, Zara, Ella, Nicole, Wendi, Constance, Erica, Ashton, Landon, the Sarr family, Clark, Aine, Kat, George, Diane, Rae, Christina, Haevyn, Mindy, Calob, Janine, 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: Waymaker

You are here, moving in our midst
I worship You, I worship You

You are here, working in this place
I worship You, I worship You
Chorus
Way maker Miracle worker, Promise Keeper
Light in the darkness, My God, that is who You are
Verse 2

You are here, touching every heart
I worship You, I worship You
You are here, healing every heart
I worship You, I worship You
You are here, turning lives around
I worship You, I worship You
You are here, mending every heart
I worship You, I worship You
That is who You are, that is who You are
That is who You are, that is who You are
Bridge

Even when I don't see it, You're working
Even when I don't feel it, You're working
You never stop, You never stop working
You never stop, You never stop working

CLOSING SONG: Battle Belongs

When all I see is the battle, You see my victory
When all I see is the mountain, You see a mountain
moved
And as I walk through the shadow, Your love surrounds
me
There's nothing to fear now for I am safe with You
Chorus
So when I fight I'll fight on my knees
With my hands lifted high
Oh God the battle belongs to You
And every fear I lay at Your feet
I'll sing through the night
Oh God the battle belongs to You
Verse 2

And if You are for me who can be against me
For Jesus there's nothing impossible for You
When all I see are the ashes, You see the beauty
When all I see is a cross, God You see the empty tomb
Almighty Fortress You go before us
Nothing can stand against the power of our God
You shine in the shadow, You win every battle
Nothing can stand against the power
of our God

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