
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: Did You Feel the Mountains

Tremble

Did you feel the mountains tremble?
 Did you hear the oceans roar
 When the people rose to sing of
 Jesus Christ, the ris-en One?
 Did you feel the people tremble?
 Did you hear the singers roar?
 When the lost began to sing of
 Jesus Christ, the sav-ing One?
 And we can see that, God, You're mov-ing,
 A mighty river through the nations;
 And young and old will turn to Je-sus.
 Fling wide, you heavenly gates;
 Prepare the way of the risen Lord.

Chorus

Open up the doors. Let the music play.
 Let the streets resound with singing:
 Songs that bring Your hope,
 Songs that bring Your joy,
 Dancers who dance upon injustice.

Verse 3

Do you feel the darkness tremble?
 When all the saints join in one song,
 And all the streams flow as one river
 To wash away our broken-ness?
 And we can see that, God, You're mov-ing,
 A time of jubilee is coming;
 And young and old will turn to Je-sus.
 Fling wide, you heavenly gates;
 Prepare the way of the risen Lord.

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: Psalm 46:1-7

God is our protection and source of strength,
 always ready to help us in times of trouble.
 So we are not afraid when the earth quakes
 and the mountains fall into the sea.
 We are not afraid when the seas become rough and dark
 and the mountains tremble.
 There is a river whose streams bring happiness to God's
 city,
 to the holy city of God Most High.
 God is in that city, so it will never be destroyed.
 God is there to help even before sunrise.
 Nations will shake with fear and kingdoms will fall
 when God shouts and makes the earth move.
 The Lord All-Powerful is with us.
 The God of Jacob is our place of safety.

Those who have ears, let them hear.

Greet Your Neighbor

Dismiss the Kids

Announcements

Sermon

Candles

PRAYER FOR LOVED ONES

Gwen, John, Wendi, Zara, Debbie, Patrick, Andrew,
 Grace, Mike, Wilson, Ben, Tasha, Meghan, Sara, Martha,
 Tim and Kristy, Dark Angel, Joseph, Nicole, Wendi,
 Constance, Erica, Ashton, Landon, the Sarr family,
 George, Laura, Haevyn, Mindy, Calob, 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.

WE REMEMBER

AJ Owens, Breonna Taylor, Keenan Anderson, AJ Laguerre Jr., Jaheim McMillan, Aidan Ellison, James Williams, Pearl Young, Daoyou Feng, Riah Milton, Paul Castaway, Winston Smith, Elcias Hernandez-Ortiz, Elijah McClain, Aaron Salter, Anthony Alvarez, Duvall Princess, Malcolm Harsch, Andrew Brown Jr., Suncha Kim, Amir Locke, Ma'Khia Bryant and those we haven't named. We hold them and their families in our hearts.

.CONFESSION:

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are sorry and we repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

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: We take communion to remember the story of Jesus and the radical love He embodied. We do this each Sunday to nourish our spirits and to symbolize becoming the Beloved Community God calls us to be.

COMMUNION SONG: We Fall Down/Awesome in this Place Medley

We fall down, we lay our crown at the feet of Jesus
The greatness of His mercy and love at the feet of Jesus
Chorus

We cry Holy, Holy, Holy

We cry Holy, Holy, Holy

We cry Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lamb

Verse 2

No more fears, You've dried our tears at the feet of Jesus
Grace abounds to all who've found the feet of Jesus
Tag (Awesome in This Place)

You are awesome in this place, mighty God

You are awesome in this place, Abba Father

You are worthy of all praise, to You our lives we raise

You are awesome in this place, mighty God

CLOSING SONG: Trading my Sorrows

I'm trading my sorrows

I'm trading my shame

Im laying them down for the joy of the Lord

I'm trading my sickness

I'm trading my pain

I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord

Chorus

We say yes Lord yes Lord yes yes Lord

yes Lord yes Lord yes yes Lord

yes Lord yes Lord yes yes Lord Amen

I am pressed but not crushed

Persecuted not abandoned

Struck down but not destroyed

I am blessed beyond the curse

For his promise will endure

That his joy's gonna be my strength

Though the sorrow may last for the night

His joy comes in the morning

Benediction

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