

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: Praise

I'll praise in the valley
 Praise on the mountain
 I'll praise when I'm sure
 And praise when I'm doubting
 I'll praise when outnumbered
 Praise when surrounded
 'Cause praise is the water
 My enemies drown in
 As long as I'm breathing
 I've got a reason to
 Praise the Lord
 Oh, my soul
 Praise the Lord
 Oh, my soul
 I'll praise when I feel it
 And I'll praise when I don't
 I'll praise 'cause I know
 You're still in control
 Because my praise is a weapon
 It's more than a sound
 Oh, my praise is the shout
 That brings Jericho down
 As long as I'm breathing
 I've got a reason to
 [Chorus]
 I won't be quiet, my God is alive
 So how could I keep it inside?
 Praise the Lord
 Oh, my soul
 I'll praise 'cause You're sovereign
 Praise 'cause You reign
 Praise 'cause You rose and defeated the grave
 I'll praise 'cause You're faithful
 Praise 'cause You're true
 Praise 'cause there's nobody greater than You

Praise the Lord

Oh, my soul

I gotta praise the Lord

Oh, my soul

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 31

God, I come to you for protection.

Don't let me be disappointed.

You always do what is right, so save me.

Listen to me.

Come quickly and save me.

Be my Rock and my safe place.

Be my shelter and protect me!

Lord, you are the God we can trust.

I put my life in your hands.

Those who have ears, let them hear.

Greet Your Neighbor

Dismiss the Kids

Announcements

Sermon

Candles

PRAYERS FOR LOVED ONES Rosie, Evan, Erin, Philip, Sue, Drew, Sarah, April, Joseph, Tim, 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

Victor Diaz, Michael Brown, Roger Fortson, Sandra Bland, Miguel Medina, Jasmine Cannady, Jaswinder Singh, Ezell

Ford, Hyun Jung Grant, Margus Morrison, Cornelius Fredericks, Corey Kanosh, Serawit Dejene, Angela Carr, Walter Wallace Jr., 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.

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: Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me save that thou art.
Thou my best thought by day and by night;
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word

I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord
Born of thy love, thy child may I be
Thou in me dwelling, and I one with Thee.
Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise,
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High One of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

CLOSING SONG: What A Beautiful Name

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ
What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
You didn't want Heaven without us
So Jesus, You brought heaven down
My sin was great, Your love was greater
What could separate us now?
What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus
Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You
You silenced the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again
You have no rival, You have no equal
Now and forever, God, You reign
Yours is the Kingdom, Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all names
What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus

Benediction

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