
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: Oh Our Lord

We behold the rising sun

The earth awakes, your hope has come

We look to you, we long for you, oh, Lord

We behold the breaking dawn

The light that shines over everyone

We look to you, we long for you, oh, Lord

[Chorus]

Oh, oh, oh, our Lord! Oh, oh, oh, our lord!

How majestic is your name in all the earth
(repeat)

We behold the falling rain

Like waters rise, flood this place

We reach for you, we cling to you, oh, Lord

[Chorus]

[Bridge]

Oh, your name is a light in the darkness

Oh, your name is the word of truth

Oh, your name, oh, your name

(repeat)

[Chorus]

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 Psalm 1

Great blessings belong to those

Who do not listen to evil advice.

Instead, they love God's wisdom,

And seek it day and night.

They grow strong, like a tree planted by a stream,

a tree that produces fruit when it should,

and has leaves that never fall.

But the wicked are not like that.

They are like dust that the wind blows away.

The wicked have lost their way,

But God shows Their people how to live in wisdom.

Those who have ears, let them hear.

Greet Your Neighbor

Dismiss the Kids

Announcements

Sermon

Candles

PRAYERS FOR LOVED ONES

Patrick, Lisa, Shaphan, Naomi, Victor, Sophia, Adeline, Katie, Dan, Ben, Josh, Katie, Abby, Joann, Kinley, Caleb, Erin, 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, Bishop Lesley Jones, Leah, David, Hope Clinic, JFS, Ozone House, immigrants, the Ypsilanti Youth Choir and those we lift up in silence.

WE REMEMBER

Victor Perez, Jawan Dallas, Marie Blaise, Leonard Allan Cure, Gary Jackson, George Floyd, Ryan White-Mountain Soft, Michelle Cusseaux, Antonio Martin, Johnny Hollman, John Crawford III, Tony McDade, Dominique "Rem'mie" Fells, Dijon Kizzee, Genry Ruiz Guillén, Geraldine Talley, Soon Chung Park, Daunte Wright, Jasvinder Kaur, Amir Locke, 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: 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
[Chorus]

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?

[Chorus]

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
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[Bridge]

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

[Chorus]

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

CLOSING SONG: Great Are You Lord

You give life, You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope, You restore every heart that is broken
And great are You, Lord

[Chorus]

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only
(repeat)

[Bridge]

All the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry, these bones will
sing
Great are You, Lord
(repeat)

[Chorus]

Benediction

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