
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: 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

(repeat)

[Chorus]

You are waymaker, miracle worker

Promise keeper, light in the darkness

My God, that is who you are

Waymaker, miracle worker

Promise keeper, light in the darkness

My God, that is who You are

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, yeah, I worship You, Lord

[Chorus]

[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

(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 John 4:4-12

Dear friends, we should love each other, because love comes from God. Everyone who loves has become God's child. And so everyone who loves knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed love to us: God sent Jesus into the world to give us life. That is how much God loves us! So we also must love each other. No one has ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us. If we love each other, God's love has reached its goal—it is made perfect in us.

Those who have ears, let them hear.

Greet Your Neighbor**Dismiss the Kids****Announcements****Sermon****Candles****PRAYERS FOR LOVED ONES**

Jack, Brad and Desirae, Seong-Guk, Junior, Patrick, Lisa, Shaphan, Naomi, Victor, Sophia, Adeline, Katie, Dan, Ben, Josh, Katie, Abby, Joann, Kinley, 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

Ismael Uribe, Coby Kenny, Angelo Quinto, Ronald Greene, Patrick Lyoya, Clarence Leading Fighter, Tamir Rice, Delaina Ashley Yuan, Freddie Gray, Andre Mackneil, Mario Gonzalez, Diamond Sanders, Garrett Foster, Atatiana Jefferson, Amarjeet Johal, Andre Hill, Akai

Gurley, Ramon Timothy Lopez, Chyna Long, Keenan
Anderson 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: How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God
When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed

Chorus

Then sings my soul,
My Savior God, to Thee;
How great Thou art,
How great Thou art.

Then sings my soul,
My Savior God, to Thee;
How great Thou art,
How great Thou art.

Verse

When thru the woods
And forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down
From lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze,
(Chorus)

When Christ shall come
With shout of acclamation
And take me home,
What joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow
In humble adoration
And there proclaim,
My God, how great Thou art!
(Chorus)

CLOSING SONG: Graves Into Gardens

I searched the world
But it couldn't fill me
Man's empty praise
And treasures that fade
Are never enough
Then You came along
And put me back together
And every desire
Is now satisfied
Here in Your love
[Chorus]
Oh, there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord, there's nothing
Nothing is better than You
I'm not afraid
To show You my weakness
My failures and flaws
Lord, You've seen 'em all
And You still call me friend
'Cause the God of the mountain

Is the God of the valley

There's not a place

Your mercy and grace

Won't find me again

[Chorus]

[Bridge]

You turn mourning to dancing

You give beauty for ashes

You turn shame into glory

You're the only one who can

You turn mourning to dancing

You give beauty for ashes

You turn shame into glory

You're the only one who can

You turn graves into garden

You turn bones into armies

You turn seas into highways

You're the only one who can

You're the only one who can

[Chorus]



Benediction

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