

The Season of Proper

Sunday, , June 23, 2024

Welcome & Announcements

Centring Music Deep River

Traditional Spiritual arranged by Mark Hayes

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We gather for worship this morning,
aware of many blessings.

Praise be to God!

We are blessed to be God's people.

As our voices join in celebration and praise,
may God's Spirit fill and transform us.

**Come, Holy Spirit! Make us your people;
and remake us in your image.**

(light the Christ candle)

Opening Hymn **Let Us Build a House** (More Voices 1)

Words and music: Marty Haugen

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1 Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive;
built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
All are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

3 Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat;
a banquet hall on holy ground,
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

4 Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
All are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

5 Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
All are welcome,
all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.

Morning Prayer

Anthem I Must Tell Jesus with Blessed Assurance

by Mary McDonald

Based on 'Orwigsburg' by Elisha Hoffman and 'Assurance' by Phoebe Palmer Knapp

A Time to Wonder

Scripture Readings Isaiah 43:1–5

Choral Response **Open Our Hearts** (More Voices 21)

Remain seated.

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Open our hearts, open our minds.
Open our live to you O loving God.

Open our hearts, open our minds.
Open our live to you O loving God.
Open our hearts.

Reflection “Open Wide Your Hearts”

Hymn of the Day **My Love Colours Outside the Lines**

(More Voices 138 1, 2, 3, 1)

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- 1 My love colours outside the lines,
exploring paths that few could ever find;
and takes me into places
where I've never been before,
and opens doors to worlds outside the lines
- 2 My Lord colours outside the lines,
turns wounds to blessings, water into wine;
and takes me into places,
where I've never been before
and opens doors to worlds outside the lines.

- 3 My soul longs to colour outside the lines,
tear back the curtains, sun, come in and shine;
I want to walk beyond the boundaries,
where I've never been before,
throw open doors to worlds outside the lines.

Bridge We'll never walk on water
if we're not prepared to drown,
body and soul
need a soaking from time to time.
And we'll never move the gravestones
if we're not prepared to die,
and realize
there are worlds outside the lines.

- 1 My love colours outside the lines,
exploring paths that few could ever find;
and takes me into places
where I've never been before,
and opens doors to worlds outside the lines

Invitation to Offering

Offering Response **What Can I Do?** (More Voices 191)

Please stand in body or spirit.

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What can I do?
What can I bring?
What can I say?
What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy.
I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love.
I'll do my share. *(Repeat)*

Offering Prayer

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayers & The Lord's Prayer

Parting Hymn **When Hands Reach Out Beyond Divides** (More Voices 169)

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- 1 When hands reach out beyond divides
and hope is truly found,
each chain of hate will fall away
and bells of peace shall sound,
and bells of peace, of peace shall sound,
and bells of peace shall sound,
each chain of hate will fall away
and bells of peace shall sound.

- 2 When fear no longer guides our steps
and days of war are done,
God's dream for all shall live anew;
our hearts will heal as one,
our hearts will heal, will heal as one,
our hearts will heal as one,
God's dream for all shall live anew;
our hearts will heal as one.

- 3 When race and creed blind us no more,
a neighbour's face we'll see,
and we shall dance the whole world round,
for love will set us free,
for love, yes love will set us free,
for love will set us free,
and we shall dance the whole world round,
for love will set us free.

Benediction

Postlude Let There Be Peace on Earth

by Sy Miller and Jill Jackson; Arranged by Charity Boyles

Worship Leaders – Pastor Beth Parsons
Music Leader – Sharon Prindle Collins
Welcoming – John Macleod
Greeters – Bill and Clare Walker
Spirit Kids – Moira Dennis and Marcia Goodwin
Scripture Reading – Erich Schulz
Offering Invitation and Prayer – Peggy Dayton
Technical Support – Sam Boehner and Jayda Perry
Fellowship Time – Men's Breakfast Group