

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, July 2, 2023

Welcoming

Mission & Service Birthday/Anniversary Recognition

Happy birthday to you,
to Jesus be true,
May God's gracious blessings
rest always with you.

Announcements

Centring Music: Hymn to Freedom

*Composed by Oscar Peterson,
with lyrics by Canadian Harriette Hamilton 1962*

When every heart joins every heart
And together yearns for liberty
That's when we'll be free
When every hand joins every hand
And together molds our destiny
That's when we'll be free
Any hour any day, the time soon will come
When all will live in dignity
That's when we'll be free, we will be
When everyone joins in our song
And together singing harmony
That's when we'll be free

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Jesus the Christ, Light of the world!
We see this flame and in faith, we look beyond.

**May we look out at life,
with the 'all-merciful' eyes of the Christ.**

We look to the Christ, so that we can see 'like him'
with the same infinite compassion.

May we see each other, in all our glorious diversity.

Opening Hymn: Each Blade of Grass (More Voices 37)
(please stand as you are able)

Words: Keri K. Wehlander, 2005.

*Music: Anonymous, from The United States' Sacred Harmony, 1799,
adapted; arrangement; Linnea Good, 2005.*

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- 1 Each blade of grass, ev'ry wing that soars,
the waves that sweep across a distant shore,
make full the circle of God.
Each laughing child, ev'ry gentle eye,
a forest lit beneath a moon-bright sky,
make full the circle of God.
- 2 Each silent paw, ev'ry rounded stone,
the buzz that echoes from a honey'd comb,
make full the circle of God.
Each fire-brimmed star, ev'ry out-stretched hand,
the wind that leaps and sails across the land,
make full the circle of God.
- 3 Each icy peak, ev'ry patterned shell,
the joyous chorus that the dawn foretells,
make full the circle of God.
Each cosmic hue, ev'ry creature's way,
all form the beauty of this vast array,
making full the circle of God.

Opening Prayer

A Time to Wonder

Scripture Reading

Psalm 117

Matthew 10:40-42

Reflection: 'A Simple Cup of Water'

Hymn of the Day: My Love Colours Outside the Lines

(please stand as you are able, More Voices 138)

Words and music: Gordon Light, 1995; arr. Andrew Donaldson

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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.
- 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.
- 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.

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Invitation to Offering

Choral Response: Bless Our Families (VU 556, vs. 4)
(please stand as you are able)

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Let us reach beyond the boundaries
of our daily thought and care
till the family you have chosen
spills its love out everywhere.
Help us learn to love each other
with a love that constant stays;
teach us when we face our troubles
love's expressed in many ways.

Offering Prayer

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayers

The Lord's Prayer (Voices United 916)
(Please remain seated)
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Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver
Source of all that is and that shall be.
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo
through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed
by peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and for ever.
Amen.

Parting Hymn: **Walk With Me** (Voices United 649)
(please stand as you are able)

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Refrain: Walk with me, I will walk with you
and build the land that God has planned
where love shines through.

1 When Moses heard the call of God
he said, 'Lord, don't send me.'
But God told Moses, 'You're the one
to set my people free.' *Refrain*

2 Now Peter was a most unlikely
man to lead the flock;
but Jesus knew his holiness
and he became the Rock. *Refrain*

3 Young Mary Magdalene was sure
her life could be much more,
and by her faith she dared to let
God's love unlock the door. *Refrain*

4 And when you share your faith with me
and work for life made new,
the witness of your faithfulness
calls me to walk with you. *Refrain*

Benediction

Postlude

Worship Leadership – Rev. Hilde Seal
Music Leadership – James Yi
Welcoming – Stephen Godfrey
A Time to Wonder – Rev. Hilde Seal
Readers – Jean Hazemi, Melanie, Raven, and Wren Styles,
Ruthe Tiessen, & Clare Walker
Spirit Kids Program – Melanie Styles
Technical Support – Sam Boehner & Jayda Perry
Fellowship Time – Andy and the Queens of Caffeine