

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY JULY 12, 2020 11:00am

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Welcome and Invitation

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Prelude from Suite Antique

John Rutter

During the Opening Voluntary, we invite you into a period of quiet reflection.

God of mercy, grant that the Word you speak this day may take root in my heart and bear fruit to your honor and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Introit

In The Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

Taizé Community

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Praise is due to you, O God, who answers our prayers!

All: When our shortcomings overwhelm us, you look on us with love and forgive us.

One: You are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

All: By your strength, you established the mountains, the rivers, the pastures and the meadows.

One: You cause the morning and the evening to shout for joy.

All: Yes, let all the earth shout and sing together for joy!

One: Let us worship God! (Based on Psalm 65)

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (words below; hymn printed at end of bulletin)

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee; earth and heaven reflect thy rays; stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus which the morning stars began.

Love divine is reigning o'er us, joining all in heaven's plan.

Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife.

Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Holy One,
we are like sheep
that stray from your fold.
We are the perpetually hungry,
ever in spiritual need,
and at times in physical want.
We are the naked,
with wounds exposed and bleeding.
We are the sick,
fevered, chilled, and in pain.
We are the strangers,
separated from others and even from ourselves.
Hear us now as we confess our brokenness and our need.

SILENT CONFESSION

Assurance of Pardon

One: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE

Hymn 833, verse 1

St. Margaret

O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

Passing of the Peace

One: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION There is a Place of Quiet Rest

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SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 100

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Unexpected Joy Rev. Leslie A. Lang

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;

the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Simple Gifts arr. Mack Wilberg

Doxology

Hymn 606 Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

Hymn 623

I've Got Peace like a River (words below; hymn printed at end of bulletin)

PEACE LIKE A RIVER

I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river, in my soul. I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river, in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain; I've got joy like a fountain; I've got joy like a fountain, in my soul. I've got joy like a fountain; I've got joy like a fountain; I've got joy like a fountain, in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean; I've got love like an ocean, in my soul.
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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Ode to Joy

Ludwig van Beethoven

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. Leslie A. Lang Dr. Thomas E. Evans; Rev. J. Robert Bannan, Jr; Rev. Joanne R. Hull

> Holt Andrews, Director Marcia Andrews, Organist

Additional Musicians

Janet Kuntz; Leslie Lang

Valerie MacPhail; Lisa Cunningham; Reel Robertson; Paul MacPhail

Today's Memorial:

In loving memory of Ed Walpole

by Betty and his children and grandchildren.

During this morning's 8:45 Worship Service, we recognized our 2020 High School Graduates:

Taylor Davison Ball
Ambres-Cadith Isabella Cantrell
Robert Hamilton Cox Jr.
Asa James Davis
Ariel Nathaniel Druley
Morgan Payton Fisher
Adrianna Dawn Gergley
Ian Phillip Glover
Lillian Grace Groke
William Martin Henderson
John Anthony Hill
David Jeter Hrubala
Kate Elizabeth Johnson
Grace Elizabeth Kleman

Bowen Hunter Orders
Taylor Lynne Parker
William Seth Reid
Aidin Macauley Robbins
Samuel Edward Stathakis
Elizabeth Anne Stevens
Rachel Ann Summers
Caleb Fowler Thompson
Abigail Louise Threatt
Robert Franklin VanGeison
Caitlin Taylor Volk
Lavinia Leese Webster
Anna Davis Wilson
Andrew Patrick Youngblood

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Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day. chant - ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re - joice in thee. Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.



623 I've Got Peace like a River



TEXT and MUSIC: African American spiritual

PEACE LIKE A RIVER