

# Worship Outline

October 20, 2019

## Gathering

Prelude

*Worship and Praise*

Sharon Elery Rogers  
Handbell Choir

Introit

*Into The House of God*

Carey Landry  
Children's Choir

+Call to Worship (responsive)

No matter how far from God we seem to be,  
we do not lose heart:

**For the days are surely coming, says the Lord.**

No matter how many obstacles we face in life,  
in the church,  
we do not lose heart:

**For the days are surely coming, says the Lord.**

No matter how hard it is to continually pray and  
work for justice,  
we do not lose heart:

**For the days are surely coming, says the Lord,  
when I will forgive and restore my people;  
when I will equip them for every good work;  
and when I will grant justice,  
for I hear their cries day and night.**

+Invocation

+Hymn 621

*I Will Call upon the Lord*

Choir: Part 1  
Congregation: Part 2  
Refrain: All

Prayer of Confession (responsive)

Let us pray:

You offer us covenant and write your word on our hearts.

Together we are the body of Christ,  
and each one of us has the responsibility, the desire,  
to respond to you in word and deed and love.

Yet, although you are beside us, within us, above us, all around us

**we still manage to ignore you.**

We are pleased to be in your family,  
but when it is time to do chores in your household

**we are busy with other things!**

We are satisfied to receive your gifts  
but when it comes to passing on your abundance  
and saying where we got it

**we hesitate.**

We are happy to say an occasional prayer to you  
but when it comes to actually spending time with you,

**we are already scheduled up!**

Help us to be your people as you are our God—always and forever.

Silence is kept.

Assurance

Welcome and the Peace

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Gathering Song 582

***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.***

***World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

## Sharing the Story

Opening the Word with Young Disciples

Anthem

*We Are One In the Lord*

Martin

Chancel Choir / Martha Keeley, flute

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 31:27-34

Let us pray...Speak to us, by the power of your Holy Spirit, and equip us to be messengers of your life-altering, world-changing, blessing-filled Word. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Hear the words of the prophet, Jeremiah:

27 The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. 28 And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. 29 In those days they shall no longer say: "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge." 30 But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. 31 The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. 32 It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. 33 But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 34 No longer shall they teach one

another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Rev. Liz Rolf Kanerva

+Hymn 53

*O God, Who Gives Us Life*

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Choral Prayer Response

*In Jesus Name*

Brown

Offering

Invitation

Practicing gratitude can change our lives as individuals;  
it can change our life as a congregation.  
In the spirit of gratitude to God,  
our giving is not reduced to ethical duty  
but is elevated to delight and joy.  
As we offer to God these measured gifts,  
let us also offer unmeasured praise.

Offertory

*Andante Cantabile*

Tchaikovsky

+Doxology 709

***God, we honor you. God, we trust in you.  
God, we worship and adore you.  
Take what we bring, offered to you.  
Teach us to show your abundant blessings.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.***

+Dedication

Creator of all, the earth is yours,  
the world and all who live in it.

**You have entrusted us with gifts—  
time, talent, energy, money—  
and asked us to use them to build your kingdom.  
With thanks and praise we respond to your call.**

We bring these gifts you have given,  
returning your generosity, paying it forward.

**We offer ourselves, our lives, our hopes and fears,  
our dollars and our hours.  
We commit ourselves to work for your world,  
to love and serve wherever you call.**

We ask your blessing on this, your church,  
as we seek to follow you with heart, mind, and soul.

**Bless also these gifts, our investment in your future,  
that they may multiply in faith, hope, and love.  
Amen.**

## Sending

+Hymn 321

*The Church's One Foundation*

+Benediction and Blessing

+Congregational Benediction 549

***May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.  
May God's love dwell in you, throughout every day.  
May God's countenance shine upon you  
and be gracious to you.  
May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.***

Postlude

*O That Will Be Joyful*  
Merrell