

Worship Outline

November 10, 2019

Gathering

Prelude

Now Let Us All Praise the Lord
Pachelbel

Introit

I Love You, Lord
Klein

+Call to Worship (responsive)

Our God is the God of the living:

the One who keeps love alive,

the One who holds all that was and is and ever will be,

the One who makes even the dead rise again.

In the presence of God,

we feel the closeness of eternity

and the breath of our ancestors.

So thin is the veil

between us and the heavens.

Let us join in the company of all the saints

and every heavenly being

in giving thanks to the God of Life.

+Invocation

Let us pray...

God of dreams and visions, you unleash the imaginations of our hearts. In you, we catch sight of holy possibilities for thinking and living differently. Make us open to the wisdom of the past and to your promises of the future that today, we might be transformed by the mystery of your love. Amen.

+Hymn 622

I Will Exalt My God, My King

Prayer of Confession (responsive)

With the assurance of God's presence,
God's steadfast love,
And God's overwhelming mercy,
Let us confess our sins before God and one another.

**All: Merciful God, time after time you speak to us; endlessly,
unceasingly, repeating your message of love, but do we listen?**

**One: You call us to faithfulness to be regularly in
worship and prayer;**

To make time to meet with fellow believers;

to play our part in Christian communities;

**to expand our knowledge of you through scripture
and meditation.**

You speak to us, but do we listen?

You call us to activity

to be genuine in the outpouring of love

offered to our neighbors.

You speak to us, but do we listen?

**You call us to become builders
of your kingdom on earth;
one that fulfills your grand design
for creation and unites humanity.**

You speak to us, but do we listen?

**All: Forgive us, God, for being stubborn
and slow to catch on. Forgive us for
not listening to your prompting and not taking action.**

**And so we pray to you this day,
may we listen to your words
of mercy and forgiveness,
and as we hear them,
let us respond with revitalized faith
and new commitment.**

**For you are the Lord of hosts,
and the God of mercy.**

Silence is kept.

Assurance

The psalmist declares that God hears the cry of the beloved and saves them. Be assured, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

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

For the Beauty of the Earth

Curry
Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading

Haggai 1:15b-2:9

1:15 In the second year of King Darius, 2:1 in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: 2 Speak now to

Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, 3 Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? 4 Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, 5 according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. 6 For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; 7 and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the Lord of hosts. 8 The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. 9 The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Liz Rolf Kanerva

+Hymn 346

For the Healing of the Nations

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

/ Cast

Offering

Invitation

Love, peace, justice, compassion - these things are always in reach. Even when they feel at a distance, it takes but a single neighbor, creature, or creation to awaken us again. With gratitude for this web of life and the nearness of God, let us bring what we have and offer our gifts to God.

Offertory

Hope Transcending

Ritter

+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

Eternal One, we bring our offerings in gratitude for the love you extend to us in all its forms. In you, we find healing, we know pleasure, we seek what fulfills, we protect one another. For all the ways you draw us into abundant life we give you our thanks. Make us eager companions to you in this work of Love and bless these gifts to its flourishing. Amen.

Sending

+Hymn 708

We Give Thee but Thine Own

+Benediction and Blessing

With hearts renewed by visions of freedom, and souls nourished by the promises of Love, let us go together in service to the Liberating Christ, Lover of all the earth, healer of everything that aches. In peace, go in the company of God. Amen.

+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

Festive Processional

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