

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
50th ANNIVERSARY OF CHURCH IN THE PARK WORSHIP
June 23, 2019
11:00 A.M.
Together in Christ, Reaching Beyond Our Doors.

GATHERING TO PRAISE

PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, GETTING ACQUAINTED

Please take a moment to fill out the Attendance Card as it is passed.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

This is God's house – a place of peace where we befriend one another in the name of Christ. Greet those around you as a sign of God's peace and Christ's friendship.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Let us open ourselves to the sun rays of God's radiating Love.

ALL: Let us open our souls to the persistent wind of God's Spirit.

One: We have come to hear the Good News of God-in-Christ.

ALL: Praise be to God – Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit – who, even now, loves and saves and renews us.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"This is My Father's World"

No. 144

A TIME TO CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" (sung processional)

I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to follow Jesus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The star of my life is Jesus. REFRAIN: In him there is no darkness at all.

The night and the day are both alike. The Lamb is the light of the city of God.

Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

(sung recessional)

I'm looking for the coming of Christ. I want to be with Jesus. When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus. REFRAIN

CONNECTING WITH GOD IN PRAYER

PRAYER OF APPROACH

Good morning, Creator God, on this glorious day marking 50 years in the park worshipping You. Words are not enough to express your majesty, your wisdom, your Other-ness. Your creation, your very self makes us aware, by your Spirit, that You are here among us. May this awareness lead us to approach these moments in a city park with care.

The words we speak, the tunes we sing, The thoughts we think, the joy and sadness we feel – May these all create a bridge to You and the work You call us to in this world. In other words, help us to live in wonder and partnership with what You are doing in the world...

PRAYER FOR THE NEEDS OF THE WORLD AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

No. 895

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

MINISTRY OF MUSIC “Bless this House” Dave Chrostek

TODAY’S GOSPEL Matthew 28: 16-20 (NT p. 137)
 (*Key Phrase: “Go, therefore. . .”*)
 Leader: The Word of God. **All: For the People of God.** Leader: Thanks be to God.

HYMN “For the Beauty of the Earth” No. 92 (vs. 1 & 2)

A MEMORY FROM ONE WHO WAS THERE— PART 1

HYMN “For the Beauty of the Earth” No. 92 (vs. 3& 4)

A MEMORY FROM ONE WHO WAS THERE— PART 2

HYMN “For the Beauty of the Earth” No. 92 (vs. 5& 6)

PRAYER OF THANKS FOR BLESSINGS BEHIND AND BEFORE US

GIVING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES TO GOD

Hymn Medley “O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing” No. 57 (vs. 1 & 2)
 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” No. 89 (vs. 1)
 “Standing on the Promises” No. 374 (vs. 1)
 “Amazing Grace” No. 378 (vs. 1)

*Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

*Prayer Over the Gifts

GOING OUT TO SERVE

*BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

*You are invited to remain seated for the postlude as part of your worship experience.
(If you choose to exit the sanctuary during the postlude, please do so quietly. Thank you.)*

*All who are comfortable standing are invited to stand.