

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
THIRD SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY
January 19, 2020 11:00 A.M.
Together in Christ, Reaching Beyond Our Doors.

GATHERING TO PRAISE

PRELUDE "Cantabile" Charles-Marie Widor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING CHRIST'S PEACE TO ONE ANOTHER

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 (adapted from the Uniting Church in Australia, based on Psalm 148)

One: Hallelujah! O let us praise God, everywhere and everything!

Let praise fill the whole cosmos!

ALL: Praise God - all races and nations on earth.

Praise God - all you heavens.

One: Praise God, O sun, moon and the planets.

Give praise, you suns, solar winds and comets.

ALL: Praise God - super-novas and spiral nebulae.

Give praise - black holes and cosmic mysteries.

One: Praise God, O dingo, platypus and wallaroo.

Give praise, lyrebird, magpie and cockatoo.

ALL: Praise God - baker, farmer and supermarket.

Give praise - hospital, bush nurse and veterinarian.

One: Praise God, all microscopic wonders.

Give praise, you cells, chromosomes and genes.

ALL: Praise God - all atoms, electrons and quarks.

Give praise - even microchips and microsurgery

One: Praise God, Chief Justice, Koori Elder, and Prime Minister.

Give praise, painter, musician and comedian.

ALL: Praise God - chapel, church and cathedral.

Give praise - bishop, teacher and pastor.

One: Let everything praise the goodness of the Creator,

for God alone stands with all of Creation thru thick and thin.

ALL: It is good to give God our thanks and praise, always and everywhere!

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Let All Things Now Living" No. 2008

A TIME TO CELEBRATE OUR CHILDREN

"This Little Light of Mine" (sung processional)

This little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine, this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine; this little light of mine, I'm goin'a let it shine, let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

(sung recessional) ***Everywhere I go, I'm goin'a let it shine, everywhere I go . . .***

CONNECTING WITH GOD IN PRAYER

BLESSING OF THE HAITI MISSION TEAM

PRAYER OF HUMBLE APPROACH (in unison)

O Christ, we are drawn to you and your ways of loving this world. In your dying for the sake of love, you accepted the pain and hurt of the whole of Creation. The arms of your cross stretch out across the broken world, and offer reconciliation. You have made peace with us. Help us to make peace with you, by sharing in your reconciling work. We sense your Spirit, disturbing us to care for Creation, and for the poor who most feel the effects of its abuse. O Christ, the whole of Creation groans for renewal. Set us free. Make us whole. Hear our prayers for the world.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE 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 "There is Power in the Name of Jesus" arr. Russell Mauldin

Larry Winegar, soloist

A mother barely twenty, out there on her own. A teenage boy in prison, before he's even grown. The illness of a loved one, a widow no one calls. There is one solution, an answer for it all. There is power in the name of Jesus, there is hope there is strength, and victory to claim. There is healing in His holy presence, there is power in His name. A nation needing mercy, fighting for her life. A church that needs revival, a broken man and wife. In the name of Jesus chains of bondage fall.

Prayers are heard and answered, when God's children call

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 8 (OT p. 492)

Key verse: "You have given humans dominion over the work of your hands."

Leader: The Word of God. **All: For the People of God.** Leader: Thanks be to God.

The Well-Being We are Meant For— Sermon Series:

MESSAGE "Creation Speaks"

AFFIRMING OUR COMMITMENT (in unison)

(from the church in Iona, Scotland)

We believe in a bright and amazing God, who has been to the depth of despair on our behalf; Who has risen in splendor and majesty; Who decorates the universe, with sparkling water, clear white light, twinkling stars and sharp colors, over and over again. We believe that Jesus is the light of the world, That God believes in us, and trusts us to care for our world, Even though we make the same mistakes, over and over again. So we commit ourselves, here again, to serve Jesus and one another as sisters and brothers, and to regard this fragile, beautiful world as made in your image, over and over again. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

GIVING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY HYMN "God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale" No. 122

*DOXOLOGY No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

GOING OUT TO SERVE

*HYMN OF DEDICATION "What is the World Like" (see below)

*BLESSING

*CHORAL BENEDICTION "Peace I Leave with You" Matthew Glandorf

*POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune" David German

*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.*

What Is the World Like 771

Capo 1: (G) A^b (Em7) Fm7 (C) D^b (D) E^b

1 What is the world like when God's will is done?
 2 What is the world like when God's will is done?
 3 What is the world like when God's will is done?
 4 What is the world like when God's will is done?
 5 These are the sto - ries that Je - sus im - parts,

(Em) Fm (C) D^b (Am) B^bm (B7) C7

Mus - tard seeds grow more than we can con - ceive:
 Wit - ness the wan - der - ing child com - ing home;
 No more is neigh - bor just al - ly or friend;
 Read - y for feast - ing, we watch through the night,
 filled with the Spir - it who joins us as one.

(Em) Fm (Am) B^bm (D) E^b (G) A^b

roots thread the soil; branch - es reach for the sun.
 watch as the par - ent breaks in - to a run.
 peace thrives in plac - es where once there was none.
 tend - ing our lamps till the new day's be - gun.
 Born through our voic - es, our hands, and our hearts,

(C) D^b (Em7) Fm7 (Am7) B^bm7 (D) E^b (G) A^b

This is how God moves us each to be - lieve.
 This is how God longs for us when we roam.
 This is how God works when ri - val - ries end.
 This is how God read - ies us for the light.
 this is a new world where God's will is done.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text and tune were written to conclude a hymn festival at the 2009 Annual Conference of The Hymn Society in the United States and Canada. Four parables framed both the festival and the hymn: the Mustard Seed, the Prodigal Son, the Good Samaritan, and the Ten Bridesmaids.

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