



WORSHIP AT THE
WELL

April 24, 2022

Gathering Music

“Keep the Ball Rolling”
featuring the Well Worship Band

by Jeff Golub

Greeting and Announcements by Pastor

Rev. Linda Stephan

Passing the Peace

Call to Worship

Jennifer Yeatts

Leader: We gather on solid ground, earth created by our holy God who cares for all living things.

People: We enter this sanctuary to quiet our temporal bodies. We open our hearts.

Leader: We are here only for a time, so we can only claim this creation as tenants.

People: The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it.

Leader: We don’t deserve the gift of this land. Our fallen nature should mean we don’t get to enjoy its fruits, its beauty, its bounty. But Creator God is gracious and generous.

People: May we be daily grateful, faithful, and humble. May we be just, kind, generous, and honest with each other, honoring the gift of creation to preserve the inheritance of those yet to come.

Leader: Our life and livelihoods depend upon other creatures and upon this land. To live, we must daily break the body and shed the blood of Creation. When we do this knowingly, lovingly, skillfully, reverently,

People: it is a sacrament.

Leader: When we do it ignorantly, greedily, clumsily, destructively,

People: it is a desecration.

Leader: Let our daily actions be a sacrament.

People: Let us honor the earth and one another in humility and love.

Song for All

“Build Your Kingdom Here”

by Rend Collective

Song for All

“Oceans”

by Joel Houston,
Matt Crocker, Salomon Ligthelm

Prayer of the People

Jennifer Yeatts

The Lord's Prayer

(First Nations Version)

O Great Spirit, our Father from above, we honor your name as sacred and holy. Bring your good road to us, where the beauty of your ways in the spirit-world above is reflected in the earth below. Provide for us day by day--the elk, the buffalo, and the salmon. The corn, the squash, and the wild rice. All the things we need for each day. Release us from the things we have done wrong, in the same way we release others for the things done wrong to us. Guide us away from the things that tempt us to stray from your good road, and set us free from the evil one and his worthless ways. May it be so!

Scripture Reading

Psalm 19: 1-6; Romans 8: 18-25

(NRSV)

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

Message

"Creation Groans"

John Flesher

Focus Song

"Mercy, Mercy, Me (The Ecology)"

by Marvin Gaye

featuring the Well Worship Band and Vocalists

Verse 1- Woo ah Mercy, mercy me. Ah, things ain't what they used to be. No, no, where did all the blue skies go, poison is the wind that blows from the north and south and east.

Verse 2- Woo ah Mercy, mercy me. Ah, things ain't what they used to be.

No, no, oil wasted on the ocean, and upon our seas, fish full of mercury.

Verse 3- Ah oh, Mercy mercy me. Ah, things ain't what they used to be. No, no, no, radiation underground, and in the sky; Animals and birds who live nearby are dying.

Verse 4- Oh, Mercy mercy me. Ah, things ain't what they used to be. No, no, no, what about this overcrowded land, How much more abuse from man can she stand? oh, Mercy, mercy me. Ah, things ain't what they used to be. No, no, no, what about this over crowded land, How much more abuse from man can she stand?

Giving Our Gifts

Rev. Linda Stephan

Prayer Over the Gifts

Song for All

"Cover the Earth"

by Israel Houghton

Parting Blessing

John Flesher

Leader: This we know, the earth does not belong to us.

All: We belong to the earth.

Leader: This we know, all things are connected.

All: Like the blood that unites one family.

Leader: This we know, we did not weave the web of life.

All: We are merely a strand in it.

Leader: This we know, whatever we do to the web,

All: We do to ourselves.

Leader: Let us give thanks for the gift of creation.

All: Let us give thanks that all things hold together in Christ.

Leader: Bless to us, O God, the moon that is above us, the earth that is beneath us, the friends who are around us, your image deep within us. Amen.

(from the Iona Abbey Worship Book)

Parting Music

“The Well” by Mark Hall, Matthew West
featuring the Well Worship Band

TODAY’S WORSHIP LEADERS:

PASTOR: Rev. Linda Stephan GUEST SPEAKERS: John Flesher, Jennifer Yeatts

MUSIC: The Well Worship Band and Vocalists;
Jeffrey Cobb, music director

GREETERS: Geri Torno, Glen Lundin, Ann Porter

AUDIO/VIDEO TEAM: Tom Atkinson, Tom Bartlett,
Abby Ondrajka, Jim Ondrajka and John Sonnemann

Kim Burch, pre-production coordinator

Silvio Ciccone, production director

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