



ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 8, 2020

PRELUDE: Voluntary in C major
John Finney, organ

William Boyce

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

**From north and south, and from east and west,
God gathers us into one community, united in love.
You are not alone.
You are valuable.
You are loved.
Let us give thanks to God!**

HYMN: In Christ There Is No East or West
Hymns of Truth & Light (blue hymnal), #381

McKee

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, who casts healing warmth into cold places,
we confess to finding ourselves saying hateful things out of fear.
Forgive us when we are not our best, most loving selves.
Fear does not bring out the qualities that you invite us to practice: compassion, generosity,
mercy, and love of neighbor—even love of strangers.
Give us your perfect love to cast out fear.
Do not let fear have dominion over us.
Bring us home to the way of Jesus, the way of love.
Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

GLORIA

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

Anne Marie Holloway & Sally Tomasetti

HYMN: God, We Thank You for Our People
New Century Hymnal (black hymnal), #376

Holy Manna

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12-20

SERMON: "Pilgrim Legacies, part 1: One Body of Faith"

Matt Wooster

SOLO: I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness
Garrett Murphy, baritone

Antonín Dvořák

SHARING OF CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

OUR 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, for ever. Amen.**

WITNESSING STEWARD

Susan Walton

HYMN: Blest Be the Tie That Binds
Hymns of Truth & Light (blue hymnal), #368

Dennis

BENEDICTION

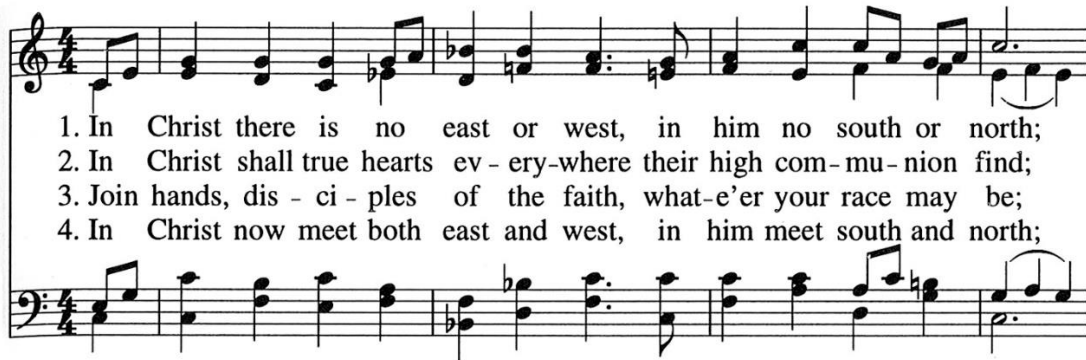
POSTLUDE: Voluntary in F major

William Hine

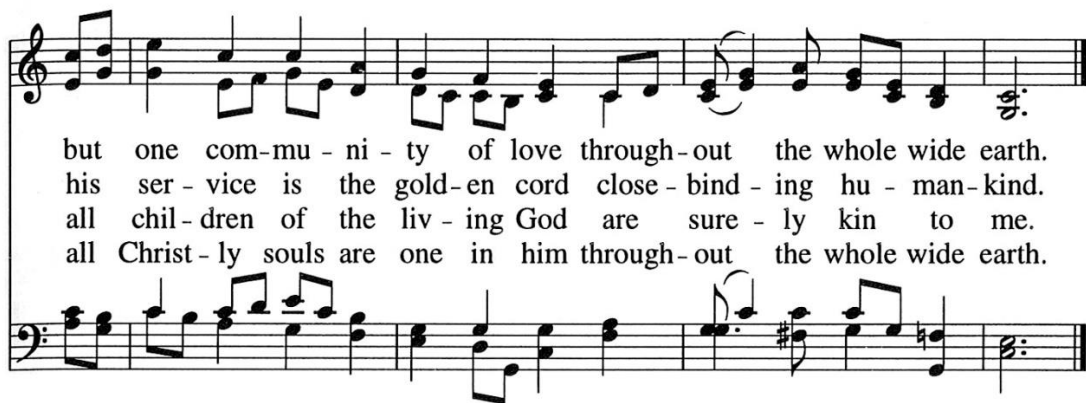
Preaching: Rev. Matt Wooster
Liturgists: Rev. Judy Swahnberg, Rev. Anne Marie Holloway
Soloists: Laurie Stewart Otten, Shannon Lebrón, Christian Figueroa, Garrett Murphy

In Christ There Is No East or West

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1. In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north;
2. In Christ shall true hearts ev-ery-where their high com-mu-nion find;
3. Join hands, dis-ci-ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be;
4. In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



but one com-mu-ni-ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.
his ser-vice is the gold-en cord close-bind-ing hu-man-kind.
all chil-dren of the liv-ing God are sure-ly kin to me.
all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

WORDS: John Oxenham, 1908, alt.

MUSIC: African-American melody, arr. Harry T. Burleigh, 1939

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Oxenham wrote this for a great missionary pageant, *The Pageant of Darkness and Light*, presented in London and, subsequently, throughout England and America.

Alternate tune: ST. PETER

I'm not into isms and asms.

There isn't a Catholic moon and a Baptist sun.

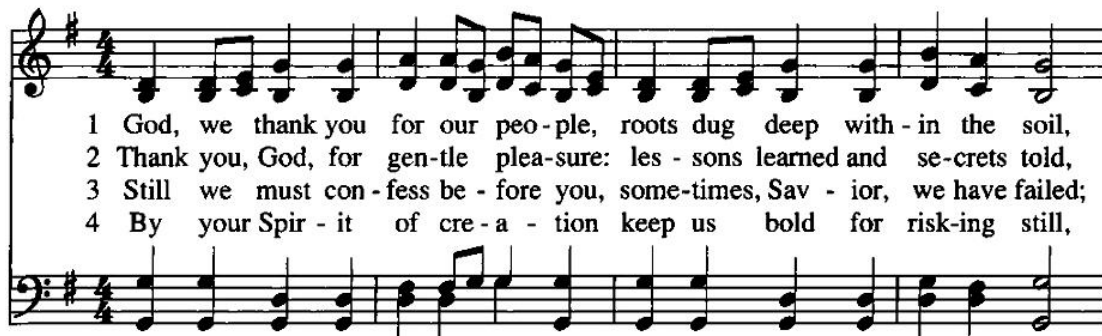
I know the universal God is universal

I feel that the same God force that is the mother
and father of the pope is also the mother and
father of the loneliest wino on the planet.

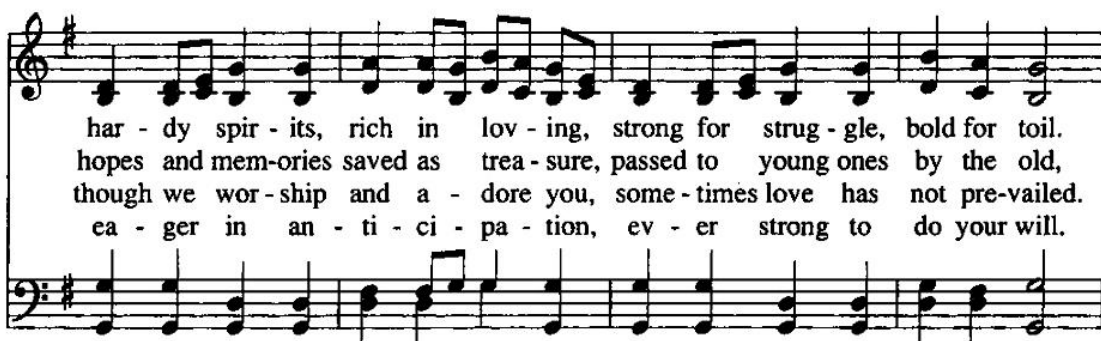
— Dick Gregory, *American entertainer*

God, We Thank You for Our People

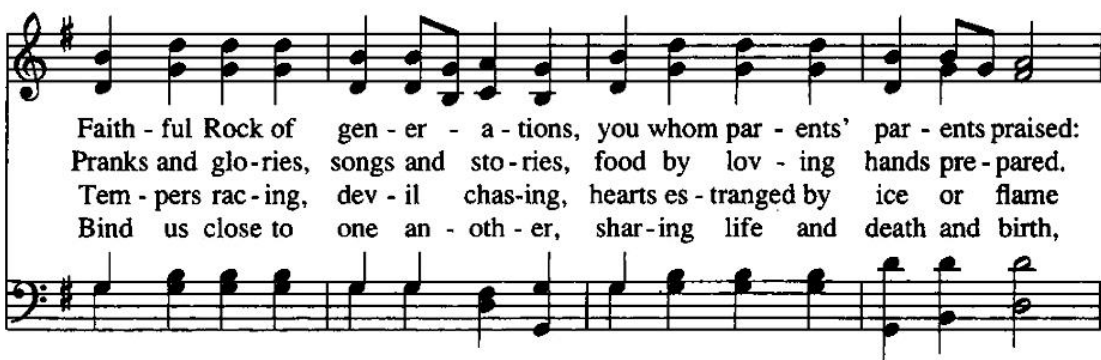
Ruth Duck, 1986



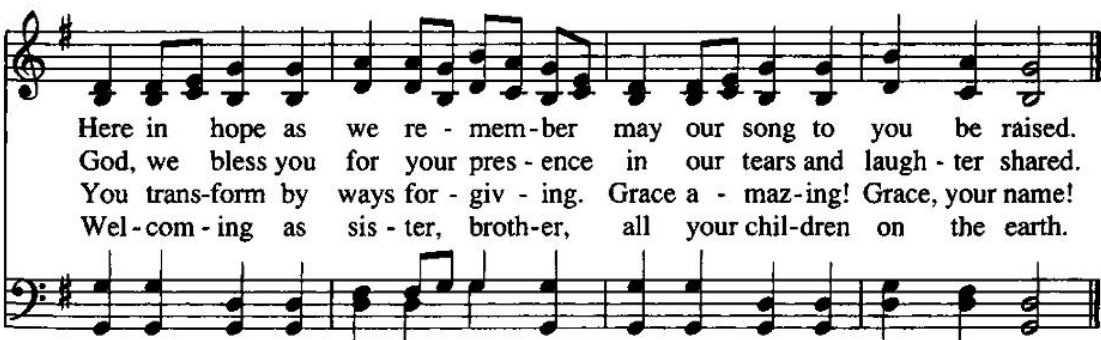
1 God, we thank you for our peo-ple, roots dug deep with - in the soil,
2 Thank you, God, for gen-tle plea-sure: les - sons learned and se-crets told,
3 Still we must con-fess be - fore you, some-times, Sav - ior, we have failed;
4 By your Spir - it of cre - a - tion keep us bold for risk-ing still,



har - dy spir - its, rich in lov - ing, strong for strug - gle, bold for toil.
hopes and mem-ories saved as trea - sure, passed to young ones by the old,
though we wor-ship and a - dore you, some-times love has not pre-vailed.
ea - ger in an - ti - ci - pa - tion, ev - er strong to do your will.



Faith - ful Rock of gen - er - a - tions, you whom par - ents' par - ents praised:
Pranks and glo-ries, songs and sto-ries, food by lov - ing hands pre - pared.
Tem - pers rac - ing, dev - il chas - ing, hearts es - tranged by ice or flame
Bind us close to one an - oth - er, shar - ing life and death and birth,



Here in hope as we re - mem - ber may our song to you be raised.
God, we bless you for your pres - ence in our tears and laugh - ter shared.
You trans - form by ways for - giv - ing. Grace a - maz - ing! Grace, your name!
Wel - com - ing as sis - ter, broth - er, all your chil - dren on the earth.

Ruth Duck created this text at the request of Harold (Hal) McSwain, Jr., for a family reunion. She found her inspiration in the stories of Harold, Sr., and in her own family heritage. The hymn speaks to any community that has shared life together for a long time.

Tune: HOLY MANNA 8.7.8.7.D.
William Moore, 1825

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;
 2. Be - fore God's gra - cious throne we pour our ar - dent prayers;
 3. We share each oth - er's woes, each oth - er's bur - dens bear,
 4. When we are called to part it gives us in - ward pain,

the fel - low-ship of kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 and of - ten for each oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.

WORDS: John Fawcett, 1782, alt.
 MUSIC: J. G. Nägeli, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1845

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