



Service of Worship  
September 13, 2020 10:00am  
2nd Sunday in the Season of Peace

## Gathering

PRELUDE                                    “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant?”                                    Michael Burkhardt

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP *(spoken together)*

**Children of God, rejoice. We are sustained by God’s presence and love.  
As we mourn the wounds of God’s children, God weeps with us.  
As we give thanks for those who have lived in faith, God gives thanks with us.  
As we struggle for justice, God struggles with us.  
As we strive for peace, God strives with us.  
As we work to build the beloved community, God works with us.  
As we offer our gifts to all, God blesses us.  
Sustained by God’s presence and love we worship God.**

HYMN 623

“I’ve Got Peace Like a River”

PEACE LIKE A RIVER

ADORATION

# 623 I've Got Peace like a River

1 I've got peace like a riv - er; I've got peace like a  
 2 I've got joy like a foun-tain; I've got joy like a  
 3 I've got love like an o - cean; I've got love like an

1  
 riv - er; I've got peace like a riv - er, in my  
 foun-tain; I've got joy like a foun-tain, in my  
 o - cean; I've got love like an o - cean, in my

2  
 soul. I've got riv - er, in my soul.  
 soul. I've got foun-tain, in my soul.  
 soul. I've got o - cean, in my soul.

In the King James Version, the promise of “peace like a river” is twice mentioned in Isaiah (48:18; 66:12) as a blessing that comes from doing God’s will. The water imagery of this African American spiritual also provides reminders of Christians’ baptismal identity.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS with Stewart

PRAYER FOR PEACE OF MIND

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you and all others!**

JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION

## 753 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Prayer of St. Francis



1 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where  
 2 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where  
 4 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. It



there is ha-tred, let me bring your love. Where  
 there's de-spair in life, let me bring hope. Where  
 is in par-don-ing that we are par-doned, in



there is in-ju-ry, your par-don, Lord, and  
 there is dark-ness, on-ly light, and  
 giv-ing of our-selves that we re-ceive, and in



where there's doubt, true faith in you.  
 where there's sad-ness, ev-er joy.  
 dy-ing that we're born to e-ter-nal life.



3 O, Mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er seek so



much to be con-soled as to con-sole, to be

JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION

un - der - stood as to un - der - stand, to be  
loved as to love with all my soul.

*to Stanza 4*

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

Though popular opinion credits this prayer to Francis of Assisi, the earliest known printing was in a French religious magazine in 1912. Yet that gentle saint's spirit seems evident in these words, a quality that has spurred many paraphrases and musical settings such as this one.

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MUSIC: Sebastian Temple, 1963; arr. Alfred V. Fedak, 2011  
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PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS  
Irregular

## Equipping

### GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 10:30–37

(Common English Bible)

Jesus replied, “A man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He encountered thieves, who stripped him naked, beat him up, and left him near death. Now it just so happened that a priest was also going down the same road. When he saw the injured man, he crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. Likewise, a Levite came by that spot, saw the injured man, and crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. A Samaritan, who was on a journey, came to where the man was. But when he saw him, he was moved with compassion. The Samaritan went to him and bandaged his wounds, tending them with oil and wine. Then he placed the wounded man on his own donkey, took him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day, he took two full days’ worth of wages and gave them to the innkeeper. He said, ‘Take care of him, and when I return, I will pay you back for any additional costs.’ What do you think? Which one of these three was a neighbor to the man who encountered thieves?” Then the legal expert said, “The one who demonstrated mercy toward him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

ANTHEM

“Show Us How to Love”  
Chancel Ensemble — David Sutherland, soloist

Music by Mark A. Miller

*Hearts open, minds awake, change us now for heaven’s sake.  
Leave us not alone in hatred’s wake. Show us how to love.  
Hearts open, souls awake, rules we made we now must break.  
With our very own lives at stake. We must learn to love.  
Eyes open, shocked awake, much to learn from our mistakes.  
Draw us closer into our heartache. Show us how to love.*  
(Text by Lindy Thompson)

SERMON

“Peace in Relationships”

Rev. Sue Trigger

Sending

A CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

JESUS CHRIST: BIRTH

## He Came Down

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He came down that we may have love; he

came down that we may have love; he came down that we may

have love; hal-le-lu-jah for-ev-er-more.

*Leader:* Why did he come?

*Additional stanzas:*

... that we may have light  
 ... that we may have peace  
 ... that we may have joy

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

**“Go Now in Peace”**

by Natalie Sleeth

**Go now in peace, go now in peace  
may the love of God surround you  
ev'rywhere, ev'rywhere you may go.**

POSTLUDE

**“All Glory Be to God on High”**

James D. Kimball

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