

Service of Worship October 10, 2021 9:30am The First Sunday of the Season of Thanks Giving

Gathering

PRELUDE "Alleluia" by Claude T. Smith

Brass Sextet – Pam Kelly, director
Phil Holmes & Russ Thompson, trumpets – Jim Kelly, horn
Mike Setser & David England, trombones – Trey Bures, tuba

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Sue Trigger

arr. Russell Coleman

INTROIT "Joy!" Beethoven

Clarinet Sextet – Pam Kelly, director Bob Dover, Amy Jantz, Lauren Bond, Robin Thompson, Edwin Fukunaga, clarinets – Pat Setser, bass clarinet

CALL TO WORSHIP video

Psalm 118

We give thanks to you, God, for your love endures forever.

Open the gates of righteousness. We will enter and give you thanks.

Thank you for answering us. You have become our salvation.

This is the day that you have made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Blessed are those who enter in your name, O Lord.

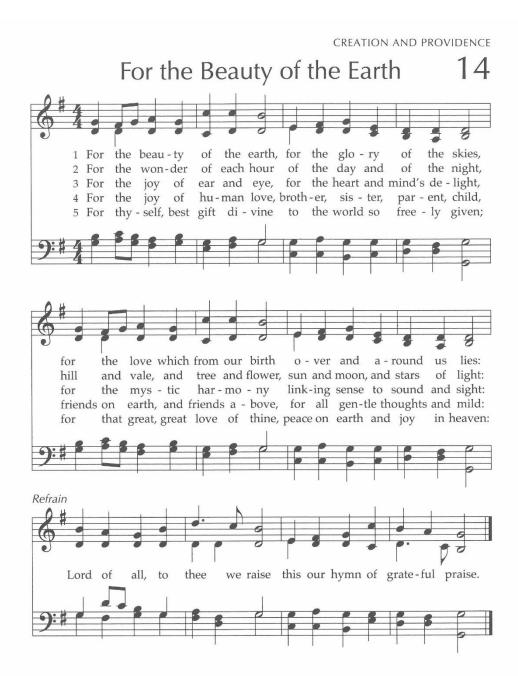
From your house we will give them blessings.

You have made your light to shine upon us all,

You have made your light to shine upon us all, so we will join our voices together in songs of thanksgiving and praise.

You are our God, and we give you thanks

for you are good and your love endures forever. Amen



In the course of many revisions, the original eucharistic emphasis of this text has shifted to a hymn of thanksgiving for a wide range of human experience, with a Christological summation. It is set here to the tune that is customary in North America, though not elsewhere.

TIME WITH STEWART

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we come before you with thankful hearts. Thankful for the many gifts you have given us. You have clothed us and given us shelter. You have given us food to fill our stomachs, friendship to fill our hearts. And yet, if we are honest with you, we know that we fail to follow you in life-giving ways. Instead of trusting in your power, we trust in our own strength. Instead of trusting in your provision, we rely on our own ability to provide. And when it comes to your community, your church, we only commit so much. We are, like the Corinthians, unable to give up our rights for the sake of others. We care too highly for our own ways, our own thoughts, our own perspectives, and not nearly enough on your Word and your influence on our lives. Grant us, O Lord, a contrite spirit, that we may turn to you, that our community might resemble your kingdom more fully. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE & SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you and all others!

ANTHEM

*"Come By Here"
Chancel & Exaltation! Singers II
Patrick O'Halloran, director

African American spiritual Setting by Kyle Pederson

Barbara Douglas, Kathy Williams, Lara Schesser, Kathy Bures, Rebecca Prater, Pam Kelly, Kylie Sutherland, Andrew Alka Jake Cummings, Jim Kelly, Ellin Schoenfeld, Chris Alka, Mike Hockley, Mac Fechtling, & Bob Dover

Come by here, my Lord, come by here. O Lord, come by here.

Someone's prayin' Lord, come by here. O Lord, come by here. Someone's cryin' Lord, come by here. O Lord, come by here. In the morning, Lord, In the evening, Lord, In my waking, Lord, In my sleeping, Lord, you are here.

In my pleading, Lord, waiting, caring, Lord, blessing, you are here.
In my loving, here in my hoping, grieving, you are here.
In my longing, falling, hiding, rising, healing, aching, laughing, praising, Lord, in my seeking, finding, breathing, dying, Lord, you are here.

Come by here, my Lord, come by here. O Lord, you are here.

Equipping

HEBREW SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 32:16-18 (Common English Bible)

Dave Pack

Then justice will reside in wild lands, and righteousness will abide in farmlands.

The fruit of righteousness will be peace, and the outcome of righteousness, calm and security forever.

Then my people will live in a peaceful dwelling, in secure homes, in carefree resting places.

EPISTLE (Letter) LESSON 1 Thessalonians 5:12-24 (CEB)

Brothers and sisters, we ask you to respect those who are working with you, leading you, and instructing you. Think of them highly with love because of their work. Live in peace with each other. Brothers and sisters, we urge you to warn those who are disorderly. Comfort the discouraged. Help the weak. Be patient with everyone. Make sure no one repays a wrong with a wrong, but always pursue the good for each other and everyone else. Rejoice always. Pray continually. Give thanks in every situation because this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Don't suppress the Spirit. Don't brush off Spirit-inspired messages, but examine everything carefully and hang on to what is good. Avoid every kind of evil. Now, may the God of peace himself cause you to be completely dedicated to him; and may your spirit, soul, and body be kept intact and blameless at our Lord Jesus Christ's coming. The one who is calling you is faithful and will do this.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words Thanks be to God!

SERMON "T = Trust" Rev. Sue Trigger

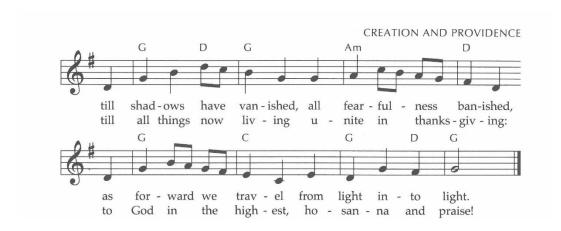
A CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

HYMN 37 "Let All Things Now Living" ASH GROVE



Written for an easy-to-sing folk melody familiar in England as well as Wales, this 20th-century North American text bears many resemblances to both Psalm 148 and the traditional canticle *Benedicite, omnia opera Domini* (Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord).



Sending

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Fanfare" Anonymous

Phil Holmes, trumpet – Linda Dover, organ

GOD'S PEACE TO YOU

*Today's anthem, "Come By Here" setting by Kyle Pederson, was donated in memory of Keith Elmore & Kathy Elmore Hovis (Rebecca Prater's brother & sister) by Chancel Choir, August 2020.

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