

Order of Worship
May 9th 2021 ~ 6th Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Peace

Call to Worship

Holy God, may we hear your voice
In the stillness of night, in clatter of day.
You call us, and we respond,
Here I am!

**May we follow you and
May we love as you love.**

Holy One, through trials and turbulence
Make us steady, your hands
Holding strong the fragile and weak.
May we love as you love.

Gracious God, may the fruits of our lives
be food for the hungry, bread, clothing,
shelter, fire, water, Word.
May we love as you love.

God of justice, remove the barriers
Of our lives that keep us from
One another, barriers we construct
Based on skin color, religion, or gender.
May we hear, and follow graciously,
May we love as you love.
Amen.

Hymn of Praise

The Compassion Hymn

Verse 1

There is an everlasting kindness
You lavished on us
When the radiance of heaven
Came to rescue the lost
You called the sheep without
A shepherd to leave their distress
For Your streams of forgiveness
And the shade of Your rest

Verse 2

And with compassion for the hurting
You reached out Your hand
As the lame ran to meet You
And the dead breathed again
You saw behind the eyes of
Sorrow and shared in our tears
Heard the sigh of the weary
Let the children draw near

Chorus

What boundless love what
fathomless grace

You have shown us O God of
compassion
Each day we live an off'ring of
praise
As we show to the world Your
compassion

Verse 3

We stood beneath the cross of
Calv'ry
And gazed on Your face
At the thorns of oppression
And the wounds of disgrace
For surely You have borne our
suff'ring
And carried our grief
As You pardoned the scoffer
And showed grace to the thief

Chorus

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fathomless grace
You have shown us O God of
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Each day we live an off'ring of
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As we show to the world Your
compassion

Verse 4

How beautiful the feet
That carry this gospel of peace
To the fields of injustice
And the valleys of need
To be a voice of hope and healing
To answer the cries
Of the hungry and helpless
With the mercy of Christ

Chorus

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Opening Prayer

Speak to us all, O God, in the stillness of this time and remind us of Jesus' willingness to take our burdens upon himself and to learn from him – to experience his gentleness and steadfast love for all. Jesus also offers us his joy so that our joy might be complete. Confident in these promises, we offer this time of worship to you, O God, praying that it may reflect our praise and thanksgiving for the gifts of creation and for all that Jesus has done for us. This we pray in his name.

Amen.

~ Moira Laidlaw, adapted

Special Music

Mother's Blessing
(*La Bendición De Tu Madre*)
Snatam Kaur

Oh my child this is your mother's blessing.
May you never forget God, even for a moment
Worshipping forever the Lord of the universe.
Oh my child this is your mother's blessing.
May you never forget God, even for a moment
Worshipping forever the Lord of the universe.
Oh my child this is your mother's blessing.
Remembering God, all mistakes are washed away.
And all our ancestors are redeemed and saved.
Always sing God's Name.
God is inside you, God is Infinite.
May the True Teacher be kind to you
May you love to be with the Saints.
May your clothing be the protection of God
May your food be the singing of God's Praise.
Drink the nectar of God's Name and live long
May meditation on God bring you endless bliss.
May love be yours and your hopes fulfilled
May you never be worn by worry.
Let this mind of yours be the bumble bee
And let the feet of God be the flower.
Oh servant, link your mind in this way
Like the sparrow hawk finding a raindrop, blossom forth.

Scripture Reading

Marion Garrett, Reader

John 15:9-17
NRSV

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Mothering the World

Associate Pastor Charla Belinski

Pastoral Prayer

Prayers of the People

Marion Garrett, Reader

Offertory

For The One

Jenn Johnson & Paul McClure

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him all creatures here below

Praise Him above ye heav'nly host

Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost

Amen

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Communion

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Communion Hymn

The Love of God

Verse 1

The love of God is greater far
Than tongue or pen can ever tell
It goes beyond the highest star
And reaches to the lowest hell
The guilty pair bowed down with
care
God gave His Son to win
His erring child He reconciled
And pardoned from his sin

Chorus

O love of God how rich and pure
How measureless and strong
It shall forevermore endure
The saints and angels song

Verse 2

When years of time shall pass away
And earthly thrones and kingdoms
fall
When men who here refuse to pray
On rocks and hills and mountains
call
God's love so sure shall still endure
All measureless and strong
Redeeming grace to Adam's race
The saints and angels song

Chorus

O love of God how rich and pure
How measureless and strong
It shall forevermore endure
The saints and angels song

Verse 3

Could we with ink the ocean fill
And were the skies of parchment
made
Were every stalk on earth a quill
And every man a scribe by trade
To write the love of God above
Would drain the ocean dry
Nor could the scroll contain the
whole
Though stretched from sky to sky

Chorus

O love of God how rich and pure
How measureless and strong
It shall forevermore endure
The saints and angels song

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Back Talk

Closing Prayer

May God, who gave birth to all creation, bless us:
may God, who became incarnate by an earthly mother, bless us:
may God, who broods as a mother over her children, bless us.
May almighty God bless us, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
now and forever.
Amen.

Church of England

Blessing

Postlude

The Melody Within
Kurt Bestor

Our love in action now begins...

Our Sunday School is next...

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