

Order of Worship
October 3rd 2021 ~ 19th Sunday After Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Peace

Call to Worship

Children of God: welcome!
Welcome to this place of love and grace,
Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.
**God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,
God invites all of us to share in the good news:
We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.**
Let us come as children, with open hearts and hand in hand,
Let us worship God. Amen.

~ Beth Merrill Neel

Hymn of Praise

Oh How Good It Is

Verse 1

Oh how good it is
When the family of God
Dwells together in spirit
In faith and unity
Where the bonds of peace
Of acceptance and love
Are the fruit of His presence
Here among us

Chorus

So with one voice we'll sing to the
Lord
And with one heart we'll live out His
word
Till the whole earth sees
The Redeemer has come
For He dwells in the presence of His
people

Verse 2

Oh how good it is
On this journey we share
To rejoice with the happy
And weep with those who mourn
For the weak find strength
The afflicted find grace
When we offer the blessing
Of belonging

Chorus

So with one voice we'll sing to the
Lord
And with one heart we'll live out His
word
Till the whole earth sees
The Redeemer has come
For He dwells in the presence of His
people

Verse 3

Oh how good it is
To embrace His command
To prefer one another
Forgive as He forgives
When we live as one
We all share in the love
Of the Son with the Father
And the Spirit

Chorus

So with one voice we'll sing to the
Lord
And with one heart we'll live out His
word
Till the whole earth sees
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Opening Prayer

God of Grace,
you blow the breath of life into our lungs,
you have formed us in your image.
And yet we acknowledge that sometimes
we are not who you would have us be.
You challenge us to embrace the refining fire of your love,
But our hearts are often hardened to your truth.
Through your Grace, life-giving God, accept us as we are,
Unrefined, unwashed, the chaff mixed in with the grain.
And help us to move into a new way of being.

(pause)

Listen! For this is Good News!

God's Grace is wider than our wildest imaginings.
God's Grace embraces us as we are and where we are
and draws us out to be the people we were created to be.
Thanks be to God! **Amen.**

~ Rev Gord, Worship Offerings

Special Music

No Matter What
Calum Scott and Tobias Gad

Scripture Reading

Marion Garrett, Reader

Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Sleeping in the Hallway
Associate Pastor Charla Belinski

Pastoral Prayer

Prayers of the People

Marion Garrett, Reader

Offertory

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

We Are An Offering

Chorus 1

We lift our voices
We lift our hands
We lift our lives up to You
We are an offering
Lord use our voices
Lord use our hands
Lord use our lives they are Yours
We are an offering

Bridge

All that we have
All that we are
All that we hope to be
We give to You
We give to You

Chorus 2

We lift our voices
We lift our hands
We lift our lives up to You
We are an offering
We are an offering

Chorus 1

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Closing Prayer

Spirit of God, as we leave this place today,
open our hearts and minds
that we may grasp your forgiveness,
and forgiven, seek to forgive others
and to live a life of reconciling love
modeled on the example of Jesus Christ.
It's in His name we make this prayer. **Amen.**

Blessing

Postlude

Both Sides Now
Joni Mitchell

Our love in action now begins...

Our Sunday School is next...

This Sunday's Special Music is brought to you by
Michael Schoepe.

Thank you to all of this Sunday's volunteers!

Coordinator: Chriss Flynn

Altar Setting: Ellen Dubé

9:00 Greeters: Randy and Jeanne Woods

9:00 Scripture Reader: Marion Garrett

10:30 Greeter and Scripture Reader: Marie Kelly

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