



Sunday, June 26, 2022 3rd Sunday after
Pentecost

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WE GATHER IN LOVE

Prelude

Marilyn Cromwell

Welcome & Announcements

Preparing our Hearts and Minds for Worship

Call to Worship

One: We gather to worship our God of wonder,

Many: We gather to meditate on God's works and mighty deeds.

One: Our God who is great and mighty, with arms stretched out,

Many: welcomes us into the fold.

Hymn 611 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,

God of glory, Lord of love!

Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,

opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;

drive the dark of doubt away.

Giver of immortal gladness,

fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee;

earth and heaven reflect thy rays;

stars and angels sing around thee,

center of unbroken praise.

*Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.*

*Mortals, join the happy chorus
which the morning stars began.
Love divine is reigning o'er us,
joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward
in the triumph song of life.*

452 "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

*Open the eyes of my heart, Lord.
Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see you;
I want to see you;*

*Open the eyes of my heart, Lord.
Open the eyes of my heart;
I want to see you;
I want to see you;*

*to see you high and lifted up,
shining in the light of your glory.
Pour out your power and love
as we sing "Holy, holy, holy."
Holy, holy, holy.
Holy, holy, holy.
Holy, holy, holy,
I want to see you.*

"Search Me O God" "Let us call each other to confession..."

*Search me, O God, and know my heart.
Try me, O God, and know my thoughts,
and see if there be any wicked way in me.
And lead me in the everlasting way.*

Let's pray together (Unison Prayer of Confession)

God of mercy, We confess that we too often give in to the yearnings of the flesh. We have impure thoughts. We idolize those who misuse power. We harbor jealousies and are quick to anger.

We neglect to care for others and gratify our own desires. Forgive us, O God, and cleanse us of our sin. Lead us to ways of love, joy, and peace. Send your Spirit to engender patience, kindness, and generosity, and lead us to be gentle in our care for all of your people.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD OF LOVE

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 4:32-38 NIV

The Lord Is God

32 Ask now about the former days, long before your time, from the day God created human beings on the earth; ask from one end of the heavens to the other. Has anything so great as this ever happened, or has anything like it ever been heard of? 33 Has any other people heard the voice of God speaking out of fire, as you have, and lived? 34 Has any god ever tried to take for himself one nation out of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, or by great and awesome deeds, like all the things the Lord your God did for you in Egypt before your very eyes?

35 You were shown these things so that you might know that the Lord is God; besides him there is no other. 36 From heaven he made you hear his voice to discipline you. On earth he showed you his great fire, and you heard his words from out of the fire. 37 Because he loved your ancestors and chose their descendants after them, he brought you out of Egypt by his Presence and his great strength, 38 to drive out before you nations greater and stronger than you and to bring you into their land to give it to you for your inheritance, as it is today.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Hymn "Trust and Obey" and "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word

What a glory He sheds on our way!

While we do His good will, He abides with us still

And with all who will trust and obey

Trust and obey, for there's no other way To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey

*Not a shadow can rise, not a cloud in the skies
But His smile quickly drives it away
Not a doubt or a fear, not a sigh or a tear
Can abide while we trust and obey*

Oh, Trust and obey, for there's no other way To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey

*Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at His feet
Or we'll walk by His side in the way
What He says we will do, where He sends we will go
Never fear, only trust and obey*

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey
Oh, Trust and obey, for there's no other way To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey*

*And 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus
Just to take Him at His Word
Just to rest upon His promise
Just to know, "Thus saith the Lord"*

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him!
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
Oh, for grace to trust Him more
Lord oh, for grace to trust You more*

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23 NIV

Paul's Prayer for the Church

15 For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people, **16** I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. **17** I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. **18** I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, **19** and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength **20** he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, **21** far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. **22** And God placed all things under his feet and

appointed him to be head over everything for the church, **23** which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

One: Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

Many: Thanks be to God.

SERMON **“Living in the Kingdom”**

Rev. Rob Sugg

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD IN LOVE

Unison Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle’s Creed

Prayers of the People and the 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, forever. Amen.

Call for the Offering

Romans 12:1 reminds us: I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God.”

Let us generously offer our lives and our gifts to the Lord.

Unison Prayer of Dedication

Generous God, we give you thanks for all your blessings to us. Use these gifts we offer as a sign of your great love for the world, so that all may know and share the abundance of your grace; in your holy name we pray. Amen.

WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD IN LOVE

Hymn 743 “O God, You Are My God” (2 times)

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways.

And step by step you’ll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

Charge and Benediction

Blessing Song

The Lord bless you and keep you Make his face shine upon you

*Be gracious to you The Lord turn his face toward you
And give you peace
Amen, Amen, Amen Amen, Amen, Amen Amen*