



WHATEVER THINGS ARE
true,
honorable,
just,
pure,
lovely,
of good report,
IF THERE IS ANY VIRTUE,
AND IF THERE IS ANY PRAISE,
THINK ABOUT THESE THINGS.

PHILIPPIANS 4:8

OUTDOOR WORSHIP

June 6, 2021

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation
(*O Quanta Quolia*)

arr. B. Buchanan

Kathleen Huneycutt, carillon

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Courtney Bowen

One: In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. In the empty chaos and crushing darkness, God spoke light and order into being.

MEN: *Creator God, bring light into our darkness, and order into our chaos.*

One: In the beginning, God took eternity and formed time and space, seasons, days, and years.

WOMEN: *Creator God, fill and shape the time you have given us, and grant that we might use the time we have been given in ways that are pleasing to you.*

One: In the beginning, God took land and sea and filled them with life of every kind.

MEN: *Creator God, help us find a place of service and witness within your diverse creation.*

One: In the beginning, God spoke his image and likeness, and the returning echo formed humanity.

WOMEN: *Creator God, open our eyes to see your image reflected in every human face.*

One: In the beginning, God created.

ALL: *And it was good. Let us worship our Creator God.*

*HYMN OF PRAISE: 370 *This Is My Father's World* (see insert)

TERRA BEATA

TO PRAISE GOD AND CONFESS OUR SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Courtney Bowen

One: Gracious God of Creation, we give you thanks for the beauty of the earth and sky and sea.

ALL: *For the awesome splendor of mountains, for the fruitful plains and flowing rivers, we give you thanks.*

One: For the songs of the birds, the beauty of the flowers, and the abundance of wildlife, we give you thanks.

ALL: *Forgive us, O God, when we take your creation for granted. Forgive us when we are unwise, or selfish, in our use of natural resources. Forgive us when we fail to be good stewards of the blessings of this earth. Give us the desire to care for one another, and for all the earth, for all these things are part of your good creation. Through Christ we pray, Amen.*

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Rev. Courtney Bowen

One: Let us rejoice!
ALL: *For we are the People of God!*
One: Let us give thanks!
ALL: *For God in his mercy has made us new creations! "Once we were no people, but now we are God's people!" We are forgiven and restored! Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!*

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: (Hymn 240: Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks) ALLELUIA NO.1**

Refrain:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Give praise to his name

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation. (Refrain)

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

THE WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION: THE READ TEAM

James Christoferson

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Laura Byrd

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. John White

HYMN: 630 *Fairest Lord Jesus* (verse 1-3; see insert)

CRUSADERS' HYMN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Courtney Bowen

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Philippians 4:4-9
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Rev. Courtney Bowen

SERMON

“Being Mindful”

Rev. John White

RESPONSE

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (A Creed from Colossians 1:15-23)

Rev. John White

One: Who is Jesus Christ?

ALL: *He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. Once we were alienated from God, but now God has reconciled us by Christ's physical body through death to present us holy in his sight. Thanks be to God!*

**OFFERING
OFFERTORY**

Sheep May Safely Graze
Kathleen Huneycutt, carillon

Rev. Courtney Bowen

Bach

arr. T. Rusterholz

*Doxology (Tune: 591)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*Dedicatory Prayer

Rev. Courtney Bowen

***HYMN OF DEDICATION: 744** *Arise, Your Light Is Come!* (all verses; see insert) FESTAL SONG

SENDING

***CHARGE**

Rev. John White

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING FORTH: 288** *Spirit of the Living God* (see insert)

LIVING GOD

POSTLUDE

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun
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