



GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP* (*adapted from Psalm 124 and James 5*)

If it had not been God who was on our side,
the troubles of our world would have swallowed us whole.

If it had not been God who was on our side,
the sorrows of our times would have swept us away.

Are any among us suffering?

Come and pray.

Are any among us cheerful?

Come sing songs of praise.

Are any among us sick?

Come and ask for healing.

Our help is in our God,

the One who made heaven and earth.

Call upon God, creator and rescuer;

God is on our side.

SONG* - Arise, Shine

1. Arise, shine, for your light has come
and the glory of God is on you.
Arise, see, when the earth grows dark
that the Lord will arise upon you,
the Lord will arise upon you.

Refrain

2. Arise, come to the open gate
for the father is welcoming you.
Fear not, for the Lord brings peace
and redemption to all who believe,
redemption to all who believe.

Refrain

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Nations will come to your light
lift up your eyes and see.
We'll gather together and come to you
and your love will be all that we know,
your love will be all that we know.
The sun will not shine
'cause you'll be all the light that we need,
and violence will end,
all the wars that we wage will cease.
We will glorify your name,
we will glorify your name.

SONG* - God, Give Us Eyes

1. God, give us eyes to see your reign,
a slowly growing light.
Transfiguring our common world
restoring faith's dim sight.
Illumine eyes in shadow's gloom
where hate and greed hold sway,
for darkness is as light to you
and you make bright our way.

2. God, give us ears to hear your voice
amid the noise of life
that speaks a word of faith and hope
and calms our inner strife.
Lord, tune our ears to hear the pain
of every child who cries,
who mourns injustice, hate, and war,
your voice in human guise.

3. God, give us hands to do your work,
to shape with love and care
the facets of your peaceful reign
for all the world to share.
Restrain our hands from wasted work
that strives for private gain,
that build up monuments of wealth
and add to human pain.

4. God, give us eyes to see your reign
and ears to hear your voice,
strong hands to do your kingdom's work
and voices to rejoice-
that all our senses be employed
in yet-unfathomed ways
til work and worship are as one
in lives of endless praise.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
we confess that we don't always
recognize Christ, even when we are looking
directly at your Incarnate Love.
We cling to our assumptions
about how life on earth should unfold,
forgetting that life in your realm
shatters those expectations.

Forgive us when we go through our daily routines,
unable to see the Risen One in our midst.
Open our eyes and our hearts, O God,
to the fullness of your presence with us,
in the people we meet along the way,
and in every moment of our lives,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel;
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

PASSING OF THE PEACE*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

SONG* -Give Me Jesus

1. In the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
give me Jesus.

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Give me Jesus, give me Jesus.
You can have all this world,
but give me Jesus

2. And when I am alone,
oh, and when I am alone,
and when I am alone,
give me Jesus. (*Refrain*)

3. And when I come to die,
oh, and when I come to die,
and when I come to die,
give me Jesus. (*Refrain*)

WORD

GOSPEL LESSON*

John 20:1-17

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

SERMON

God, Help Me See

Beth Miller

RESPONSE

SONG* - Be Thou My Vision (#412 in blue hymnal)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER (*debts, debtors*)

OFFERING

Many in our community give their tithes and offerings online (rescov.org/give) and yet we believe it is still good and right to give God thanks as part of our worship. If you have offering this morning you are welcome to place it in the basket in the center aisle as we give God thanks.

DOXOLOGY

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

HOLY COMMUNION

As we continue to navigate the implications of Covid we invite you to come down the center aisle, receive the bread and then proceed to the front side aisles to partake of the cup which is in individual portions. Place your empty cups in one of the baskets that can be found on the end-seats in the front rows of the side aisles.

SENDING

SONG* - Glory Is Here (*see insert*)

CHARGE & BENEDICTION*

*Stand, as you are able

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For God's Glory and Neighbor's Good

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Glory Is Here

Someday you'll come, the darkness will cease;
true light will dawn, ev'ryone will then see
ev'rything new; we'll finally see you.
Awaiting that day, searching for more
while all along, you are found with the poor.
Help me to see, you're all around me.

Refrain

Our praises arise,
as we come to recognize
Jesus is near,
glory is here.

Near oceans and hills,
and in ancient skies,
hidden in faces, and pain, and delight:
Your glory is here,
and I get a glimpse of you.
In silence and prayer,
and in bread and wine,
somehow the common
becomes the divine.
Making me new,
I'm starting to see you.

Refrain