

SUNDAY WORSHIP

September 13, 2020 at 10 am

Welcome / Call to Worship

Grace So

Song of Gathering

IN CHRIST THERE IS NO EAST OR WEST

In Christ there is no east or west,
in him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love
throughout the whole wide earth
In him shall true hearts everywhere
their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord
close binding humankind
Join hands, disciples of the faith,
whate'er your race may be!
Who serves my father as his child
is surely kin to me
In Christ now meet both east and west;
in him meet north and south;
all Christly souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth

In Christ There Is No East or West
John Oxenham, Stewart Landon
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Song of Praise

John Yoo

SPEAK, O LORD

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you,
to receive the food of your holy word
Take your truth, plant it deep in us;
shape and fashion us in your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today,
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
all your purposes, for your glory
Teach us Lord full obedience,
holy reverence, true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes,
in the radiance of your purity
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see,

your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail;
let their truth prevail over unbelief
Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
help us grasp the heights of your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
that will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on your promises;
and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built,
and the earth is filled with your glory
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Prayer of Confession

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Dear Lord, we stand before you wearing ashes. And we kneel before you full of tears. Lord, you came to this earth to take care of our weaknesses and sins, and you walked the way of the cross for our sake. You were wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities. But we still fall at the door of sin.

All: Lord, heal us and restore us.

Lord, have mercy and make us whole.

God of grace, we only realize that we are small when we face problems too difficult to handle on our own, such as COVID-19 and the massive damage from wildfires. If there is no crisis, we become arrogant, ungrateful, and forgetful. We are weak, and we cannot live without your grace. Forgive us for not taking good care of each other and the earth you created and called good. Allow us to humble ourselves and lay down our insensible and selfish minds. Let us live with gratitude for your costly and unconditional grace.

All: Lord, have mercy on us.

God of love, we ask that you save your children, our sisters and brothers, who are still suffering from racial injustice and struggling at this moment. Forgive us for failing to follow your command to love our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us for not living in the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Empower us to no longer pursue our own interests at the expense of others and give us a generous heart to look after our neighbors in need.

All: Lord, have mercy on us.

Lord, save us from our sins.

Lord, hear our prayers as we silently confess to you.

[silent prayer]

Assurance of Pardon

John 6:37

Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away.

Leader: Friends, believe the good news!

All : In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and are being made whole. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

Let's gather for the reading of today's scripture; please mute your audio and return to speaker view.

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 4:1-6

Sarah Young

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

Sermon

Living in Unity

Mark Stryker

Musical Reflection

Vesper Choir (formerly College & Young Adult Choir) recorded in 2015

UBI CARITAS

Ola Gjeilo

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.

Where charity and love are, God is there.

Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.

Christ's love has gathered us into one.

Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur.

Let us rejoice and be pleased in him.

Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.

Let us fear, and let us love the living God.

Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Laura Sera

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.

Song of Response

John Yoo

I THEN SHALL LIVE

I then shall live
as one who's been forgiven;
I'll walk with joy
to know my debts are paid
I know my name
is clear before my savior;
I am your child,
and I am not afraid
So greatly pardoned,
I'll forgive my neighbor,
The law of love I gladly will obey
I then shall live
as one who's learned compassion;
I've been so loved
that I'll risk loving too
I know how fear
builds walls instead of bridges;
I'll dare to see
another's point of view
And when relationships
demand commitment,
Then I'll be there
to care and follow through
Your kingdom come
around and through and in me;
Your pow'r and glory,
let them shine through me;
Your hallowed name,
O may I bear with honor,
And may your living
kingdom come in me
The bread of life,
O may I share with honor,

And may you feed
a hungry world through me

I Then Shall Live

David Phelps, Gloria Gaither

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Benediction

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