

CHURCH SESSION

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Worships God at 11:00 a.m.

July 10, 2022

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

Prelude

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Tune: Miles Lane
William Shrubsole, 1779; arr. David Lowe

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 473

For the Beauty of the Earth

Dix

Opening Sentences

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: **The Maker of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Prayer for the Day (spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the **Amen**.)

Almighty God, you have taught us through Christ that love fulfills the law. May we love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and may we love our neighbors as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The congregation sits.

Prayer of Confession

Unison

Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you.

You call, but we have not listened.

We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns.

We condone evil, prejudice, warfare and greed.

God of grace, help us to admit our sin,

so that, as you come to us in mercy,

we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness;

through Jesus Christ our Redeemer ...

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn Texts for Online Worship

For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth Over and around us lies.

Refrain:

Lord of all, to Thee we raise This our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flower, Sun and moon and stars of light. (Refrain)

For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony Linking sense to sound and sight. (Refrain)

For the joy of human love, Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above, For all gentle thoughts and mild. (Refrain)

For Thy church that evermore Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore Her pure sacrifice of love. (Refrain)

Text: Folliot Sandford Pierpoint, 1864;

Tune: DIX; Conrad Kocher, 1838; Abr. William Henry Monk, 1861;

Harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906

Open My Eyes That I May See

Open my eyes, that I may see Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key That shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for Thee, Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my ears, that I may hear Voices of truth Thou sendest clear;
And while the wave notes fall on my ear, Everything false shall disappear.
Silently now I wait for Thee, Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Open my mouth, and let me bear Gladly the warm truth everywhere;
Open my heart, and let me prepare Love with Thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for Thee, Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Text: Clara H. Scott, 1895;

Tune: OPEN MY EYES; Clara H. Scott, 1895

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

Lord, I want to be a Christian In-a my heart.

Lord, I want to be more loving In-a my heart.

Lord, I want to be more holy In-a my heart.

Lord, I want to be like Jesus In-a my heart.

Text: African American Spiritual;

Tune: I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN; African-American Spiritual

O God, We Bear the Imprint of Your Face

O God, we bear the imprint of Your face:

The colors of our skin are Your design,

And what we have of beauty in our race

As man or woman, You alone define,

Who stretched a living fabric on our frame And gave to each a language and a name.

Where we are torn and pulled apart by hate

Because our race, our skin is not the same

While we are judged unequal by the state

And victims made because we own our name,

Humanity reduced to little worth, Dishonored is Your living face on earth.

O God, we share the image of Your Son

Whose flesh and blood are ours, whatever skin,

In His humanity we find our own,

And in His family our proper kin:

Christ is the brother we still crucify, His love the language we must learn, or die.

Text: Shirley Elena Murray, 1987;

Tune: SONG 1; Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625);

Harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906, as in *The English Hymnal*, 1906

Come, Sing, O Church, in Joy!

Come, sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long!

In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Long years have come and gone, And still God reigns supreme,

Empowering us to catch the vision, dream the dream!

In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Let courage be our friend, Let wisdom be our guide,

As we in mission magnify the Crucified!

In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Come, sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er the ages long!

In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!

Text: Brian Dill, 1988;

Tune: DARWALL'S 148th; John Darwall, 1770