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Worship

October 15, 2023
Monteith Hall

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WELCOME

We're glad you're here!

Welcome to this new worship gathering! This Fall we will be experimenting in this service for 12 weeks, trying out new liturgical patterns and exploring ways of being more participatory, responsive, and intergenerational in our expressions of worship. Join us as we listen for the Holy Spirit and try new things! No two weeks will be exactly alike, but each service will seek to help us encounter God in meaningful ways. Join us on the journey!

Ways to Give

Your gift allows us to carry out our mission as an inclusive and diverse faith community.

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WORSHIP

20TH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

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** When this symbol precedes an element of the service,
please rise in body or spirit.*

GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY

WELCOME & CENTERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Side A: You are welcome here!

Side B: You are welcome here!

Side A: This is the day that the Lord has made,

Side B: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Side A: Surely God is in this place.

Side B: We gather here with joy and love.

*OPENING HYMN

"All the Music Sung and Played Here"

(see page 5)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of creation, you express your love to us in countless different ways. In the hustle and bustle of our daily lives, we have trouble appreciating the beautiful things you create around us. We rush through life and miss many of the ways that your love surrounds us, big and small. God of peace and rest, slow us down. Help us to notice the sacredness in all life, especially in situations that seem ugly, bland, or boring. Attune our hearts to your holy melody, that we might hear you in places and people that we haven't before.

Silence is kept.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

As you pass the peace, you are invited to share one piece of instrumental (non-lyrical) music that speaks to you.

*RESPONSE 582

"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION "Spirit of the Living God"
(sung, Hymn 288)

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 4:8

SERMON "Beauty Beyond Words"

RESPONSE

RESPONSIVE MUSIC "Moonlight Sonata" Ludwig van Beethoven
Martin Gehrke, piano

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.

SENDING

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION ...We go out in peace,
To love, to serve, to imagine.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY



All the Music Sung and Played Here

NETTLETON

1. All the mu - sic sung and played here is a gift, O God, from you.
 2. All cre - a - tion sings your glo - ry; in the Psalms are pain and praise.
 3. You give hymns and songs for sing - ing, toes for tap - ping your good news,
 4. Bless the ta - lents we are bring - ing, for we of - fer you our best.

For as long as we have prayed here, we've been blessed by mu - sic, too.
 Ma - ry sang your sa - ving sto - ry in her long, ex - pec - tant days.
 or - gan sound - ing, hand - bells ring - ing, faith - ful hear - ers in the pews.
 If our gifts are not in sing - ing, may our joy - ful noise be blest.

By your Spi - rit, each mu - si - cian finds new depths of faith to share.
 Through the ___ years, with great e - mo - tion, some have reached to you in song.
 With the ___ trum - pet and the cym - bal, with gui - tar and vi - o - lin,
 If our ___ world is ev - er si - lent, may we ___ sing to you a - bove.

Mu - sic is a gift you've gi - ven and be - comes our thank - ful prayer.
 May we sing with such de - vo - tion; mu - sic helps your church grow strong!
 faith is found here and re - kind - led; hearts are lift - ed, once a - gain!
 Touched by grace, may each one pre - sent of - fer back your song of love.

Tune: John Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, 1813

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