

Sunday, November 17, 2024

Guest Preacher: Fran Hill

Music Director: Victoria Warwick

Reader: Debbie Just

Tech Team: Glenn Erwin, Gabriela and Rick Dell, Bruce Wilcox

WELCOME AND CALL TO THE GATHERED

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE LAND

HYMN MEDLEY: MV#135 "Called by Earth and Sky"

Refrain: Called by earth and sky, promise of hope held high. This is our sacred living trust, treasure of life sanctified, called by earth and sky.

1. Precious these waters, endless seas, deep ocean's dream,
waters of healing, rivers of rain, the wash of love again. **Refrain:**
2. Precious this gift, the air we breathe; wind born and free.
Breath of the Spirit, blow through this place, our gathering and our grace. **Refrain:**
3. Precious these mountains, ancient sands; vast fragile land.
Seeds of our wakening, rooted and strong, Creation's faithful song. **Refrain:**
4. Precious the fire that lights our way, bright dawning day.
Fire of passion, sorrows undone, our faith and justice one. **Refrain:**

"This Little Light of Mine"

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. (3x)

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

OPENING PRAYER: read by Debbie Just

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE: As we light this Christ candle may it remind us that God is in us and in our world.

SUNG RESPONSE: MV#21 "Open Our Hearts"

Open our hearts. Open our minds. Open our lives to you O loving God. Open our hearts.

THEME CONVERSATION:

SCRIPTURE: Galatians 5: 22-23a

HYMN: VU#376 "Spirit of the Living God"

1. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mould me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
2. Spirit of the living God, move among us all; make us one in heart and mind, make us one in love:
humble, caring, selfless, sharing. Spirit of the living God, fill our lives with love!

SERMON: "The Spice of Life"

GIVING OF OUR GIFTS and OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "My Song Doth Bless the Lord"
sung by St Paul's Choir

SUNG RESPONSE: MV#182 "Grateful"

Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son, joyful in your Spirit flowing over all,
O God of Love. Grateful for the Bread of Heaven, thankful for your Holy Word,
joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER read by Debbie Just

CLOSING HYMN: VU#271 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

1. There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in God's justice which is more than liberty.
2. There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven;
there is no place where earth's failings have such gracious judgement given.
3. There is plentiful redemption in the blood that Christ has shed;
there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.
4. Troubled souls, why will you scatter like a crowd of frightened sheep?
Foolish hearts, why will you wander from a love so true and deep?
5. For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind,
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

SUNG BENEDICTION: "Go In Love"

Go in love; have no fear. God will guide you, God is always near. Go in love; take God's hand.
God will hear you, God will understand. May God's light forever shine upon you; may God's peace be
always in your heart. Go in love; face each day. God will lead you, God will show the way.
Go in love and live in faith. Amen.

POSTLUDE: