

OPENING SENTENCES

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

PRELUDE

Allegro in F Major, D. Scarlatti

CALL TO WORSHIP

inspired by Isaiah 55

Leader: Only the hungry search for bread. Only the thirsty look for water.

People: This is a place for those who are hungry and thirsty in spirit.

Leader: Only those who ache for meaning will pursue it.

Only those who yearn for a deeper life will seek it.

People: This is a place for those who ache and yearn for something more.

Leader: So we gather today with our hunger and thirst,
our unsatisfied longings, our heart-felt yearnings,

People: and let the God of life satisfy our souls.

HYMN 318

In Christ There Is No East or West, St. Peter

1 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.

3 Join hands, disciples of the faith,
whate'er your race may be.
All children of the living God
are surely kin to me.

2 In Christ shall true hearts everywhere
their high communion find;
his service is the golden cord
close-binding humankind.

4 In Christ now meet both east and west;
in him meet south and north.
All Christly souls are one in him
throughout the whole wide earth.

CALL TO CONFESSION

LITANY OF CONFESSION

Leader: God, we believe you have called us to unity, but often we have isolated ourselves from others,

People: God, forgive us for the times we have turned our backs on those who are different.

Leader: God, we believe you have called us to live together as one body,

People: God, forgive us for the times we have created division within your worldwide church.

Leader: God, we believe you ask us to look, listen, and learn from others,

People: God, forgive us for the times we have ridiculed and attacked those with different viewpoints.

Leader: God, we believe you ask us to accept and seek to understand all who are called by your name,

People: Forgive us for the times we have offended you by failing to love others as we do ourselves.

Leader: God, we believe you call us to be one even as you are one,

People: Forgive us for the disunity we have harbored and make us one (continue with silent confession...) **Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: In the compassion of the God who prays for us, with us, and in us, we are forgiven, for the sake of the one who was sent to show us the face of love, we are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO OUR CHILDREN

Amy Poland

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 17:20-23

"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

SERMON

Jon Anderson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- Joys and Concerns
- Pastoral Prayer
- The Lord's Prayer

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

HYMN

God, With Joy We Look Around Us, Lauda Anima

1. God, with joy we look around us
 At your world's diversity.
 Folk of every kind surround us
 And you call your church to see:
 All are made in your own image!
 All are people whom you love!

3. God, you sent a Savior to us,
 Breaking walls that would divide.
 By your Spirit, now work through us
 As we witness side by side:
 All are made in your own image!
 All are people whom you love!

2. In the times we've hurt each other,
 Lord, we've hurt the ones you bless.
 Hating sister, cursing brother,
 We've denied what you express:
 All are made in your own image!
 All are people whom you love!

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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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