

ZOOM WORSHIP SERVICE

OCTOBER 18, 2020

OPENING PRAYER

JANE

God, open our eyes this morning so we may see your grace at work among us. Open our ears so we may hear the joys and sadness of one another. Help us so we may sing for joy and use our hands to help one another. We come to worship you this morning with all that we are and all that we hope to be. Speak to us this day so we may celebrate with joy what it means to be your people. Amen.

WELCOME

CHRISTOPHE/SARAH

You Are Welcome!

*No matter who you are or where you are in life's journey,
you are welcome here:*

If you are young or old, you are welcome.

*If you have brown skin, black skin, white skin,
or any other color of skin, you are welcome.*

If you are married or single, divorced or widowed, you are welcome.

If you are gay or straight, you are welcome,

If you are transgender, you are welcome.

If you identify as a man, woman, or gender non-conforming, you are welcome.

If you are an immigrant, refugee, or citizen, you are welcome.

If you cannot hear or see, you are welcome.

If you are sick or well, you are welcome.

If you are rich or poor, powerful or weak, you are welcome.

*If you believe in God some of the time,
none of the time, or all of the time, you are welcome*

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You are welcome here!

Come with your gifts, your pains, and hopes, your fears.

Come with traditions that have helped you and hurt you.

Come with your experiences that have made you and broken you.

Come with a mind ready to engage and a heart open to discern.

Come and listen for the Sacred Spirit that calls you to

***love your neighbor wholeheartedly, seek justice,
create peace and practice compassion***

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You are welcome here

CALL TO WORSHIP

MICHAEL/KRISTINA

One: We are here in the presence of God

All: We are all welcome

One: 우리는 평화를 추구온다

(We come seeking peace)

All: We are greeted by love

One: हम अपने सृष्टिकर्ता की पूजा करने आते हैं

(We come to worship our Creator)

All: Let us celebrate God's image in us

One: Pumarito kami upang sambahin ang aming Maykapal

(We come to worship our Creator)

All: We are bonded together in hope

One: We come looking for faith

All: You are welcome in a loving community

One: 我們是神的子。

We are all children of God)

All: We are all a part of God's family

One: Confiemos en nuestro valor

(Let us be confident of our worth)

All: Let us love those around us

One: Nous sommes acceptés comme qui nous sommes

(We are accepted as who we are)

All: Let us be washed over with grace

One: Let us open ourselves to God's Spirit

All: Let us worship God.

SONG OF CELEBRATION

PART OF THE FAMILY

BONNIE

INVITATION TO PRAYER

OLABISI

Friends, at times we need God more than we realize. God is always there and always ready to love us. Let us turn to God, seeking grace and mercy.

First, in silence.

PRAYER OF WHO WE ARE

Let us pray with prayerful hearts.

Gracious God, hear our prayers. So often, we come to you at a loss – at a loss for the right words, the right actions, the right feelings. We know all is not right, but at times we cannot put into words what is wrong. There are deep divisions among people that are leading to wars and violence. There are too many who are living in poverty and dying of preventable and curable diseases. We hear of countless horrific stories, but not enough hopeful ones. Our hearts cry out to us to do something, but we don't know what.

So we pray, Holy Spirit, lead us so we can do something to make things right again in our world. Help us bridge the divide and heal the wounds. Speak to us, so we know how to be people of faith, grace, and mercy.

First, in silent prayer.

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LOVE

Friends, You are loved by a God whose love knows no end. God is more powerful than our shortcomings, more gracious than our shame, and more merciful than we can imagine. Know that you are a child of God and loved with an everlasting love. Amen.

Please hug yourself with the love of Christ.

SPECIAL MUSIC

DEAR YOUNGER ME

PHILIP

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SONIA

Draw us close, Holy Spirit, as the Scriptures are read, and the Word is proclaimed. Speak to us today so we can hear your comforting words of love and grace. Let your word of faith be on our lips and in our hearts, and let all other words slip away. May there be one voice we hear today — your voice of truth and Jesus's words of grace. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

ROMANS 8:1-6

¹ If you belong to Christ Jesus, you won't be punished. ² The Holy Spirit will give you life that comes from Christ Jesus and will set you^[a] free from sin and death. ³ The Law of Moses cannot do this, because our selfish desires make the Law weak. But God set you free when he sent his own Son to be like us sinners and to be a sacrifice for our sin. God used Christ's body to condemn sin. ⁴ He did this, so that we would do what the Law commands by obeying the Spirit instead of our own desires. ⁵ People who are ruled by their desires think only of themselves. Everyone who is ruled by the Holy Spirit thinks about spiritual things. ⁶ If our minds are ruled by our desires, we will die. But if our minds are ruled by the Spirit, we will have life and peace.

MESSAGE

"LIVE ACCORDING TO THE SPIRIT"

PASTOR SUNNY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE PRAYER JESUS TAUGHT US

REV. SHIN HWA

COMMUNITY LIFE

CLOSING SONG

HOLY SPIRIT, RAIN DOWN

ANDREA

BENEDICTION