

Zoom Worship Service

JUNE 20, 2021

RECOGNITION OF THE FIRST PEOPLE

JANE

We recognize that the first people on the land that we gather on is the Gabrieleño Tangva people. With humility, we accept the responsibility of caring for the land.

OPENING PRAYER

AUREA

Loving God, you who are our father and mother, we thank you that you have shown us how important it is to follow your example as we grow in faith. Teach us to be more like Jesus, open to your guidance, and accepting your presence. Thank you for your mercy despite our waywardness. Strengthen us to stand up against the challenges of this world, honoring your name and trusting in your grace. Amen.

WELCOME

TRACEY/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

SONG OF CELEBRATION

SOLIS LA SEMILLA

ANDREA

CALL TO WORSHIP

CAT/MICHAEL

One: Come, let us gather as God's children

All: For God is like a father to us and all children

One: 富有同情心的 (Compassionate)

All: Merciful

One: अनुग्रही (Gracious)

All: Filled with endless love

One: 하나님은 모든 잘못을 제거 (God removes all wrong)

All: Heals us all

One: Surrounds us with love and mercy

All: Fills our lives with all good things

One: Sumisigaw tayo ng galak sa ating Diyos (Let us shout for joy to our God)

All: God loves us with an everlasting love

*One: Nous rassemble du nord et du sud
(Gathers us together from the north and the south)*

All: Gathers us together from the east and west

One: Nos lleva además de arroyos tranquilos (Leads us besides quiet streams)

All: Shows us the way to safety

One: Shows us the way to joy

All: Let us worship God together. Let us worship in joy. Amen.

INVITATION TO PRAYER

APRIL

Although God, like our fathers, calls us to a life of joy and happiness, we have not always followed them. We have missed out on the love and care we have in God. Let us turn to God, expressing our desire for love and restoration.

First in silence.

PRAYER OF WHO WE ARE

Let us pray with prayerful hearts.

O God, as a father, you have called to the path of righteousness, but too often, we have chosen our way, no way, instead of your way. Have mercy upon us when we turn from you. Forgive us when we do not realize your fatherly love and guidance for us. Have mercy upon us and help us anew to follow you. Amen.

DECLARATION OF GOD’S LOVE

Our God is a loving God. Gracious in mercy and slow to anger. Know that you are loved and accepted. Rejoice in God’s love. Amen.

Please hug yourself with the love of Christ.

SPECIAL MUSIC

WALK ON

ANDREA

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, as we turn to your Word for us, may the Spirit rest upon us today. Help us to be steadfast in our hearing, in our speaking, in our believing, and our living. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Proverbs 31:8-9

Shirley

⁸Speak out on behalf of the voiceless,
and for the rights of all who are vulnerable.
⁹Speak out in order to judge with righteousness
and to defend the needy and the poor.

Galatians 6:2

²Carry each other’s burdens and so you will fulfill the law of Christ.

MESSAGE

“SAY SOMETHING”

Rev. Kikanza Nuri Robins

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER JESUS TAUGHT US

KRISTINA

COMMUNITY LIFE

CLOSING SONG

SENT FORTH BY GOD’S BLESSING

ANDREA

BENEDICTION