

July 14, 2019

Worship 9:30am

Sunday School 10:50am

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Janelle Arnett Campbell, organist

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Nick Schroeder, worship leader

One: Source of all hope and holiness,
we gather this morning to be church.

All: Bless those who are absent, but not from our hearts.

One: Bless those who are distant, but not from your love.

**All: Bless each of us here that we may
choose justice by your Spirit,
draw kindness from the well of your mercy,
and walk humbly in your path, O God.**

AMEN.

adapted from #122 in *Sing the Journey*

*HYMN #1 SJ

We sing to you, O God

WE LISTEN AND LEARN

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN

Jan Buerge

SOLO

Thanks to Life

Mercedes Sosa

Madeline Bollinger, soprano; Jesse Graber, guitar
(for text translation, please see back of bulletin)

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 1:1-14

SERMON

*HYMN (see next page)

*Moved by the gospel, let us move***

Moved by the Gospel, Let Us Move

Moved by the Gos - pel let us move with ev - 'ry gift and art. The
Let weav - ers form from bro - ken strands a tap - es - try of prayer. Let
O Spir - it, breathe a - mong us here; in - spire the work we do. May

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im - age of cre - a - tive love in - dwells each hu - man heart. The
art - ists paint with skill - ful hands their joy, la - ment, and care. Then
hands and voic - es, eye and ear at - test to life made new. In

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Mak - er calls cre - a - tion good, so let us now ex -
mime the sto - ry: Christ has come, with rev - 'rence dance the
wor - ship and in dai - ly strife cre - ate a - mong us

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press with sound and col - or, stone and wood, the shape of ho - li - ness.
word. With flute and or - gan ching and drum God's praise be ev - er heard.
still. Great Art - ist, form our com - mon life ac - cord - ing to your will.

WE RESPOND AND SHARE

SHARING JOY

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

SHARING CONCERNS

PRAYING TOGETHER

Slips of paper are available in the pew racks for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl table at the front of the sanctuary.

OFFERING

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you did not have time to submit a written announcement, or if something new needs highlighting, please hand your written announcement to the worship leader or pastor before the worship service.

WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE

*SENDING FORTH PRAYER

*HYMN #40 SJ

As rain from the clouds

Please remain standing for the closing hymn and postlude.

*POSTLUDE

* Please stand in body or in spirit.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*.

Songs designated "SJ" are in the green *Sing the Journey* hymnal.

As we sing, please use language that makes worship most meaningful, enriching and inclusive.

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Thanks to Life, translation by Violeta Parra

Thanks to the life that has given me so much
Gave me two bright stars which when I open
them
Perfectly distinguish black from white
And in the high sky its starry depths
And in the crowds the one that I love

Thanks to the life that has given me so much
Has given me hearing which in all its breadth
Records night and day, crickets and canaries
Hammers, turbines, barks, storms
And the voice so tender of my beloved

Thanks to life that has given me so much
Has given me sound and the alphabet
With its words that I think and declare
Mother, friend, brother, and illuminating light
The path to the soul of the one who I am loving

Thanks to life that has given me so much
Has given my tired feet speed
With those I walked cities and puddles
Beaches and deserts, mountains and plains
And your house, your street and your inner
courtyard

Thanks to life that has given me so much
Gave me the heart that shakes its frame
When I look at the fruit of the human brain
When I look at the good so far from the bad
When I look into the depths of your clear eyes

Thanks to life that has given me so much
Has given me laughter and has given me tears
So I distinguish joy from sorrow
The two materials that form my song
And your song which is the same song
And everybody's song which is my own song

Thanks to life that has given me so much.

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