



AUGUST 2, 2020

Welcome – Matt Humphrey

Land Acknowledgment – Chivonne Graff

Invocation – “Praying” by R.S. Thomas
Meagan Crosby-Shearer

*It doesn't have to be
the blue iris, it could be
weeds in a vacant lot, or a few
small stones; just
pay attention, then patch*

*a few words together and don't try
to make them elaborate, this isn't
a contest but the doorway*

*into thanks, and a silence in which
another voice may speak.*

Poem – “The Summer Day” by Mary
Oliver – Melanie Ihmels

Song: Cool of the Day

Song by Jean Ritchie © 1971
performed by Kith and Kin, © 2013

My Lord, he said unto me
Do you like my garden so fair?
You may live in this garden,
if you keep the grasses green
And I'll return in the cool of the day

Chorus

Now is the cool of the day
Now is the cool of the day
Oh this earth it is a garden,
the garden of my Lord
And (s)he walks in the garden
In the cool of the day

Then my Lord, she said unto me
Do you like my garden so pure?
You may live in this garden,
if you keep the waters clean
And I'll return in the cool of the day

Then my Lord, he said unto me
Do you like my garden so free?
You may live in this garden
if you keep my people free
And I'll return in the cool of the day

Song: We are Ready

performed by The Wilderness Way

We are ready, we are ready!
We are ready, Ohhh,
for the manna rebirth! 2X

No more big deals
of profits over people!
We want community where everybody
has enough!

Don't need nothin, just our people!
And the wisdom that's been with
us all of this time!

There is life here,
can you feel it moving?
It's the ancient wisdom
Ohh, of the manna rebirth!

Reading: Matthew 14:13-21

Read by Daniel Kriztofer

Reflection: by Whitney Buckner

Song: Everything I need

performed by The Wilderness Way

Everything I need is right in front of me,
everything I need right in front of me X2
Can we be manna, manna, can we be
manna for each other? X2

Prayer: Body Prayer led by Margot
Spence and Meagan Crosby-Shearer

Song: Multiply by Liz Dieleman, 2018

Eucharist

Poem: "Prayer" by George Ella Lyon
Read by Jesse Robertson

*Our Mother Who Art
in the kitchen
cooking us up
hallowed may we see
all that is
Your kingdom here
delivered into our hands
Your will in children
and trees leaping out
on earth
as if it were Heaven.*

*Give us this day
bread we could feed
the world
and snatch us bald-headed
if we try to swallow it all.*

*Don't forgive us
till we learn it is all for giving.
That salve you've got in a pot
on the back of the stove
only heals when everybody has some.*

*And heed us not
if we believe You look like us
and love us best
and gave us the True Truth
with a license to kill Others
writ inside.
Deliver us from this evil.*

*for it is Yours,
this kitchen we call Universe
where you stir up our favorite treat,
the Milky Way,
folding deep into sweet
our little sphere
with its powerful glory
of rainforests and oceans and
mountains in feather-boa mist
forever*

*if we don't blow it up
and ever
if we don't tear it down. Amen.*

A Blessing for today

By Rev. Virginia Going

Let me live today.
Let me be open to the miracle
of this day.
Let me breathe the best of today.
Let me not miss the heart of today.
Let me find the gift of today
Hidden like a jewel in rubble of care,
duty, and detail.

Let me pause to hear
the steady beat of the heart of God –
hoping, aching, sorrowing, expectant,
patient despairing heart of God.

Listen, listen.
Do you hear it?
Ever so faint but steady, steady,
Rhythmic organ, strong muscle,
Thumping, beating, pumping,
sustaining, encompassing,
Wildly dancing heart of God.

Let us live this day, aware, open,
listening, breathing, alive.

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