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Beloved companions in the Spirit -Come as you are offering our lives in the beautiful struggle of faith...

We Gather

Opening Loop (Announcements) The Children/Youth Toll the Bells Welcome, Announcements and Land Acknowledgement with ləkwəŋən from elder Butch Dick

Bell x3

Gathering Words

Come to the water, all you who thirst, **come drink deeply from the river of life.** Come to the water, all you who are weary, **come rest in the quiet pools of God's love.** Come to the water, all you who long for justice, **come be renewed in God's ever-flowing stream.** Come, let's worship our life-giving God, **who pours out living water on all who thirst.** - Christine Longhurst

> During this next song, Abbeykids come forward to set the table.

Song: The Lorica

I bind unto myself today The gift to call on the Trinity The saving faith where I can say Come three in one, oh one in three

Refrain:

Be above me, as high as the noonday sun Be below me, the rock I set my feet upon Be beside me, the wind on my left and right Be behind me, oh circle me with Your truth and light

I bind unto myself today The love of Angels and Seraphim The prayers and prophecies of Saints The words and deeds of righteous ones. *Refrain* Against all powers deceiving Against my own unbelieving Whether near or far

I bind unto myself today The hope to rise from the dust of earth The songs of nature giving praise To Source and Spirit, Living Word Gayle Salmond, adapted from St. Patrick's Breastplate / © 2008, alt.

Poem chosen/read by poet-in-residence Rebecca Yeo

We Proclaim

Sung Psalm: How Long?

How long? Will You turn Your face away? How long? Do You hear us when we pray? On and on, still we walk this pilgrim way - How long?

How long 'til Your children find their rest? How long 'til You draw them to Your breast? We go on holding to Your promises - How long?

Refrain: 'Til You wipe away the tears from ev'ry eye 'Til we see our home descending from the sky Do we wait in vain? Jesus, give us hope again!

How long 'til Your word will still the storm? How long 'til You bare Your mighty arm? How we groan 'til You snatch us from the thorns - How long?

How long? Sweet the dawn that ends the race. How long? Weak our hearts but strong our legs. Looking on - great that cloud of witnesses! How long? *Refrain* Isaac Wardell / © 2016 / CCLI

A reading from Paul's letter to the Colossians 2:9

Now in Christ dwells the fullness of divinity, bodily. And you all have in Christ come to fullness, Christ Jesus who is the head of every ruler and authority. In Christ also were you all circumcised without human hands, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ. When you were buried with Christ in baptism, you all were also raised with Christ through faith in the power of God, who raised Jesus from the dead. And when you all were dead in trespasses and the end circumcision of your flesh, God brought you to life, together with Christ, for giving us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. God set this aside nailing it to the cross.

...The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

You are invited to rise in body or in spirit as we prepare our hearts to hear the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

Hallelujah, Hallelujah! Singing glory, (glory) Hallelujah, Hallelujah! Singing glory to the Maker, Hallelujah!

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The Gospel: John 7:37-44

Let us proclaim the gospel from the rooftops! With our words and with our lives!

On the last, the great day, of the festival of booths, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "if anyone thirst, woman or man, come to me and drink. The one who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'from their belly shall flow rivers of living water'. Now he said this about the spirit, which believers in him were to receive; for as yet there was no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

When the crowd heard these words, some said, "this is truly the prophet". Other said, "this is the Messiah". But

some said, "indeed, the Messiah does not come from Galilee, true? Does not the scripture say that the Messiah comes from the line of David and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David lived?" So there was a division in the crowd because of him. Some wanted to arrest him, but no one laid their hands on him.

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Sermon

Lynn Mills

Bell / Silence / Bell

You are invited to rise in body or in spirit as we affirm the story of our faith.

The Creed (Sung)

I believe in God the Maker almighty Creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead on the third day he rose again. He ascended into heav'n and is seated at the right hand of the Maker. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, +the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. *Ryan Flanigan, alt.* © 2017, *Common Hymnal, CCLI*

Confession

Let us pray, **God of living water, we confess the dryness of our lives:** the brittle words we have thought and spoken . . . the relationships that are crumbling . . . the arid perspective that centres on self . . . the cracked and jagged edges of our world . . .

Hear our confession, O Christ, and rain down your mercy upon us. - Joanna Harader

Bell. Silence. Bell.

Absolution /Assurance of Grace

The Peace The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

We exchange the peace with a gesture.

Offertory Song: It is Well with my Soul

During this next 'offertory' song, the table is set. You are welcomed (now, or later) to place any financial contributions to our common life in the vintage record player in the back of the worship space. Cheques can be made out to 'The Emmaus Community'. Charitable receipts are issued if you leave us your address.

You are also welcome to place non-perishable food items in the "Campus United" basket for the UVic United Church Campus Ministry Food bank.

When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul." *Refrain*: It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control: that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed his own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

My sin oh, the bliss of this glorious thought! my sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*

O Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll; the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend; even so, it is well with my soul. *Refrain* Horatio Gates Spafford / Tune: VILLE DU HAVRE, Phillip Bliss / Public Domain

We Celebrate

Prayer Over The Gifts

God, by the bread of heaven and the cup of life, you make us one body. Receive all we offer You this day and bind us together by your Spirit that we might live into your hopes for us, a community centered in Christ and rich in compassion, commitment, courage, and care. **Amen.** -enfleshed

The Communion/Eucharist

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

We offer you praise O God with hearts lifted high, for in the communion of your love, Christ comes close to us and we come close to Christ.

Therefore with the whole realm of nature around us; with earth sea and sky, we sing to you. With hopes and doubts, with saints before and beside us we sing to you. With our loved ones, separate from us now, who yet in this mystery are close to us, we join in the song of unending praise:

Holy holy Lord - God of power and might Heaven and Earth are full of your glory Hosanna in the highest +Blessed is the one who comes In the name of the Lord - Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you and blessed is our brother Jesus who walks with us the road of our world's suffering, and who is known to us in the breaking of bread.

On the night of his arrest Jesus took bread and having blessed it, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying, this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Hear us, O God and breathe your Spirit upon us and upon this bread and wine. May they become for us your body and blood, vibrant with your life, healing, renewing and making your whole world whole.

As the bread and wine which we now eat and drink are changed into us, may we be changed again into you, bone of your bone, flesh of your flesh. May our thirst be quenched in the living water of your presence.

As grain was scattered across this land then gathered and made one in this bread so may your people scattered to the ends of the earth be gathered and made one in your love. **Amen**

The Prayer of Jesus

As beloved children of a loving parent let us pray: Our Father (Mother/Source) in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Silence is kept.

These are the gifts of God, for the people of God, given for the life of the world. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

All are welcome to receive at Jesus' table! The bread is gluten-free. It may contain dairy and/or almond flour. If you'd like a dairy or nut free option, please let the presider know. Juice is in the small cups. Wine is in the common cup, please do not dip the bread into the cup.

Communion Song: Lone Wild Bird

The lone wild bird, in lofty flight Is still with thee, nor leaves thy sight - and I am thine

The ends of the earth are in thy hands The sea's dark deep, and far-off lands - And I am thine

Refrain: I rest in thee. I rest in thee. I rest in thee, great spirit come and rest in me.

Over razor-wires, under skies of fire, In prison cell and concrete hell, still I am thine.

And in the caged reserves, like human cattle herds, they cut your hair, so long, but Samson's growing strong, singing: I am thine. *Refrain*

Dredged-out mountain spires, daughters left for hire, needle paralyzed, joining homeless choirs, crying I am thine. And here the rising bread, there the parched unfed, all these well-known truths that remain unsaid, while I am thine.

And the moon and the sun, the many in the one, waves of ecstasy, kissing deepest grief, with I am thine

We wear your seamless cloth of joy and loss, severed roots and limbs, time to start again. Start with I am thine Text: Henry R. McFadyen / Tune: PROSPECT, Graham / Public Domain / alt. lyrics: Seth Martin

Communion Song: All of Your Ways are Peace

All of Your ways are peace, all of Your ways are peace. Though we are pressed on every side, we trust that You are peace.

All of Your words are true, all of Your words are true. Though we have heard so many lies, we trust Your words are true.

All of Your ways are just, all of Your ways are just. Though we may say it through our tears, we trust that You are just.

All of Your ways are peace, all of Your ways are peace. Jessica Fox, Paul Zach, Latifah Alattas, Isaac Wardell, Liz Vic, Orlando Palmer / © 2020 Integrity Worship Music / CCLI

Prayer after Communion

O Creator God, pour out on us the water of life that we might quench our thirst and draw strength from you. Help us to stand alongside those who struggle and thirst so that all might be refreshed and renewed by your abundant love, revealed to us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anglican Church of Southern Africa

We Are Sent

Benediction: Felix Culpa

God who watches over you will never slumber nor sleep. O my child, lay your burdens down, lay them at my feet. God who watches over you will never slumber nor sleep. Alana Levandoski / used with permission

Commissioning of Caroline

(Those who have journeyed with Caroline are welcome to come forward at this time)

Beloved Caroline, we pray that you will be filled with the knowledge of God's will and that your life will continue to bear fruit in every good work as you prepare to leave. As you go, take heed that you fulfill the ministry that God has given you; live in the light, sing with joy, do not forsake the breaking of bread, practice resurrection and seek the peace and welfare of the city to which you are called.

In the time of silence we offer our own silent prayers for Caroline.

Caroline, we bless you, we give thanks for you, we hold you in our prayers and we commission you,

Go forth dear friend, with our blessings and our prayers, go forth in the power of the risen Christ. Go forth as a herald of the coming kingdom, go forth and bear witness in all that you do, to the love of God, the radical welcome of Christ and the comfort of the Holy Spirit. **Amen, thanks be to God!**

Closing Song: O Happy Day

Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day) Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day) When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed) Oh, when He washed (When Jesus washed) When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed) He washed my sins away (Oh, happy day) Oh, it's a happy day (Oh, happy day) He taught me how (He taught me how) To watch and fight and pray - watch and pray And live rejoicing every day - Every day Phillip Doddridge / Edwin Hawkins Singers / 1968

Sending

Go in peace to follow Christ and serve the people. **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

Postlude: I Saw the Light and I'll Fly Away

Some glad morning when this life is over, I'll fly away To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away

Refrain: I'll fly away, oh glory, I'll fly away When I die, hallelujah by and by, I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have grown,I'll fly away Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away. *Refrain*

Just a few more weary days and then I'll fly away To a land where joy will never end, I'll fly away! *Refrain.*

Oh how glad and happy when we meet,I'll fly away No more cold iron shackles on my feet, I'll fly away. *Refrain.* ¹⁹²⁹ Alfred E. Brumley. Public Domain I wandered so aimless, life filled with sin I wouldn't let my dear Saviour in

Then Jesus came - like a stranger in the night Praise the Lord, I saw the light

Refrain: I saw the light, I saw the light No more darkness, no more night Now I'm so happy, no sorrow in sight Praise the Lord, I saw the light

Just like the blind man, I wandered along Worries and fears, I claimed for my own Then like the blind man, that God gave back his sight Praise the Lord, I saw the light. *Refrain.*

I was a fool to wander and stray For straight is the gate and narrow the way Now I have traded, the wrong for the right Praise the Lord, I saw the light. *Refrain.* CCLI. Hank Williams. 1948. Renewed 1975 Sony/ATV Acuff Rose Music (Admin. by Sony/ATV Acuff Rose Music)



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