



15th Sunday After Pentecost
September 18, 2022



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SEASON OF CREATION 2022

The Burning Bush
— Ex 3:1-12 —

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Gathering

Music to Prepare Us For Worship

GATHERING SONG – “Come and See”

COME AND SEE

Hans Peterson

(guitar: capo 3)

Refrain F(D) C/E (A) Dm7(Bm7) F/C(D) B \flat (G) F/A(D/F \sharp)

Come and see what God has done. The earth is a - live;

Gm7(Em7) C(A) F(D) C/E (A) Dm7(Bm7) Am7(F \sharp m7)

thanks to the sun. Ev' - ry plant that grows ev' - ry ri - ver that flows what a

Gm7(Em7) C(A) B \flat (G) F(D) B \flat (G) F(D) *Fine*

mir - a - cle gift of cre - a - tion! The

Verse C(A) F(D)

song of a wren, the flight of a hawk, a
 Pon - der the vast - ness of the night sky. The
 Look at a seed, it knows what to do; new
 Peo - ple of Faith, Grace beck - ons you home to

Gm7(Em7) F/A(D/F \sharp) Dm(Bm) C(A)

ba - by's first bond with her moth - er; first
 dis - tance you see is a maz - ing. The
 life - will spring forth from its fall - ing.
 E - den in all of its splen - dor. Do

F(D) F/A(D/F \sharp)

flow - ers of spring a - rise and sing; the
 light trav - els o - ver thou - sands of years be -
 And we as peo - ple of the Di - vine can
 you hear the call? Re - new the earth! With

B \flat (G) F(D) Csus4(Asus4) C(A) to Refrain

world is filled with won - der!
 fore you see it star - gaz - ing.
 lis - ten as we know our call - ing.
 care now gar - den and tend her.

Welcome

We gather in the name of God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of the Earth and all creatures! Praise be to the Holy Trinity! God is sound and life, Creator of the Universe, Source of all life, whom the angels sing; wondrous Light of all mysteries known or unknown to humankind, and life that lives in all.

(Hildegard of Bingen, 13th Century)

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray;

Creator of the cosmos, of eternity and time:

Be with us in this time

Savior of the world, healer of the nations:

Be with us in this place

Breath of all that lives, of people near and far

Stir within our lives

Maker-Spirit-Son God of here and now:

Be present in our worship, that we may find new ways to be present in your world.

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ALL MY RELATIVES - Mitakuye Oyasin

Larry Olson
Karol Baer

The musical score is written for two voices and guitar. It consists of seven staves of music. The first staff begins with a Dm chord and a C major key signature. The melody is in 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The second staff continues the melody and includes a Bb chord. The third staff includes a Dm chord. The fourth staff includes G and A chords. The fifth staff includes Dm and C chords. The sixth staff includes Bb, Eb, Gm, and C chords. The seventh staff includes C, Bb, A, Bb, C, and Dm chords. The score ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

Lis - ten my sis - ter, lis - ten my broth - er,
Where there is hurt - ing, we share the hurt - ing.
Where there is suf - f'ring, we share the suf - f'ring.

so man - y fea - tures, so man - y col - ors;
Where there is just - ice, we share the jus - tice.
Where there is prais - ing, we share the prais - ing.

I have not loved you like I should love you
Where there is mer - cy, we share the mer - cy
Where there is free - dom, we share the free - dom

if I be - lieve that God is love. Ev - 'ry face, All My Rel - a - tives.
if we be - lieve that God is love.
if we be - lieve that God is love.

Ev - 'ry race, All My Rel - a - tives. Ev - 'ry place, All My Rel - a - tives.

Hear cre - a - tion sing, one with ev - 'ry - thing.

C Bb A Bb C 3 Dm

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Children's Time

The Word

(Reader): *Our story and God's story continues today with a reading from the Gospel of Luke 16: 1-13.*

HALLELUJAH Hans Peterson

Hal - le - lu jah. Hal - le - lu jah.

Hal - le - lu jah. Hal - le - lu jah.

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(Reader): Then Jesus said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ Then the manager said to himself, ‘What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.’ So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he asked the first,

(Side 1): ‘How much do you owe my master?’

(Reader): He answered,

(Side 2): ‘A hundred jugs of olive oil.’

(Reader): He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another,

(Side 1): 'And how much do you owe?'

(Reader): He replied,

(Side 2): 'A hundred containers of wheat.'

(Reader): He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own?"

(ALL): No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

(Reader): *Stay tuned for the continuing saga that is our story and God's story*

(ALL): Thanks be to God.

SERMON - Pastor Hans Peterson

SONG OF THE DAY - "Praise to You"

PRAISE TO YOU

Larry Olson

(guitar: capo 2)



Praise to you, O Great Cre - a - tor, Ma - ker of the land and sky.



Praise to you, O Liv - ing Wat - er, hope and breath of ev' - ry life.



We are lost and we are long - ing,
Hear the cries of all cre - a - tion,
May we live your way of jus - tice,



wand' - ring in the wild - er - ness, search - ing for your
how the tears like ri - vers flow for your touch of
may we walk your way of peace. May we see your



hol - y pres - ence and the rea - son we ex - ist.
grace and heal - ing and the love that leads us home.
sac - red vi - sion, may we know your sweet re - lease.

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Profession of Faith

We believe in God, who creates all things, who embraces all things, who celebrates all things, who is present in every part of the fabric of creation. We believe in God as the source of all life, who baptises this planet with living water. We believe in Jesus Christ, the suffering one, the poor one, the malnourished one, the climate refugee, who loves and cares for this world and who suffers with it. And we believe in Jesus Christ, the seed of life, who came to reconcile and renew this world and everything in it. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of God, who moves with God and who moves among and with us today. We believe in everlasting life in God. And we believe in the hope that one day God will put an end to death and all destructive forces.

(Gurukul Theological college, India / adapted by Keld B. Hansen 2009)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *God, who is mercy:* **Hear our prayer.**

Greet Someone New

Music to bring us back together: "Praise To You" Chorus

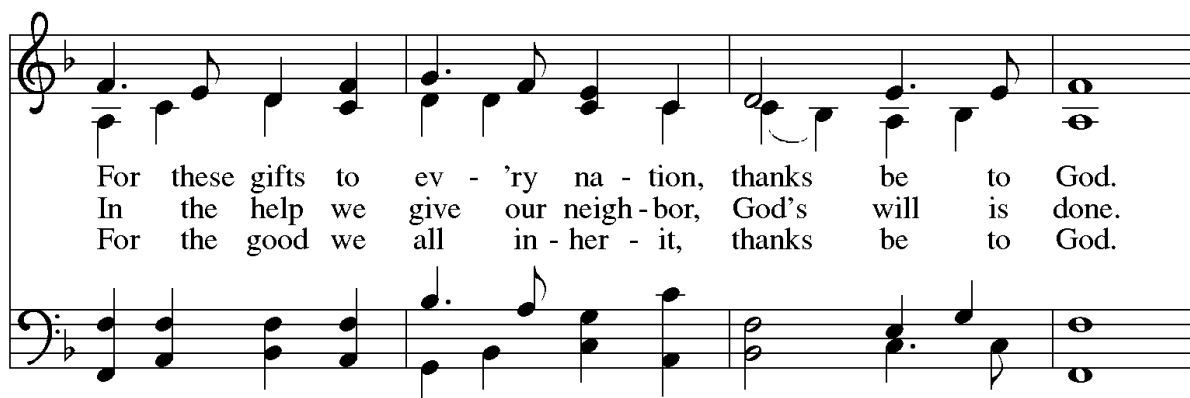
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OFFERING SONG "For the Fruit of All Creation"

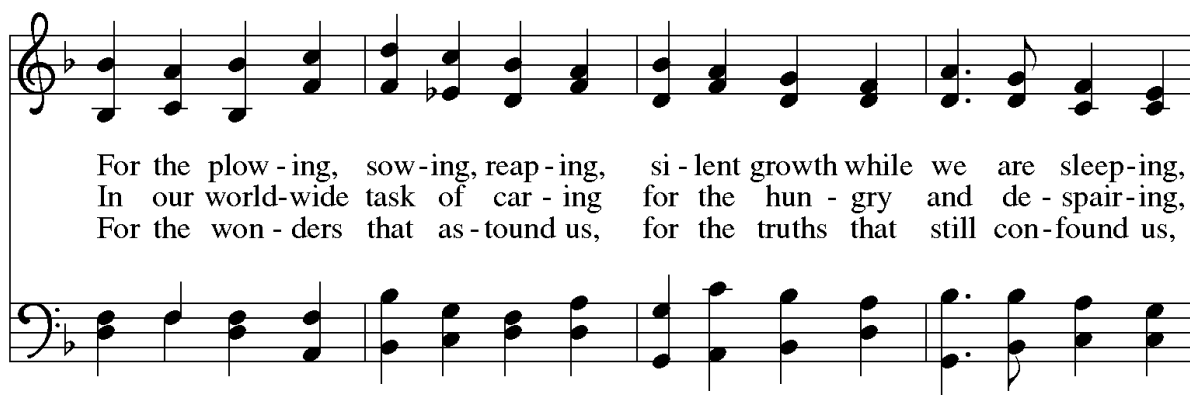
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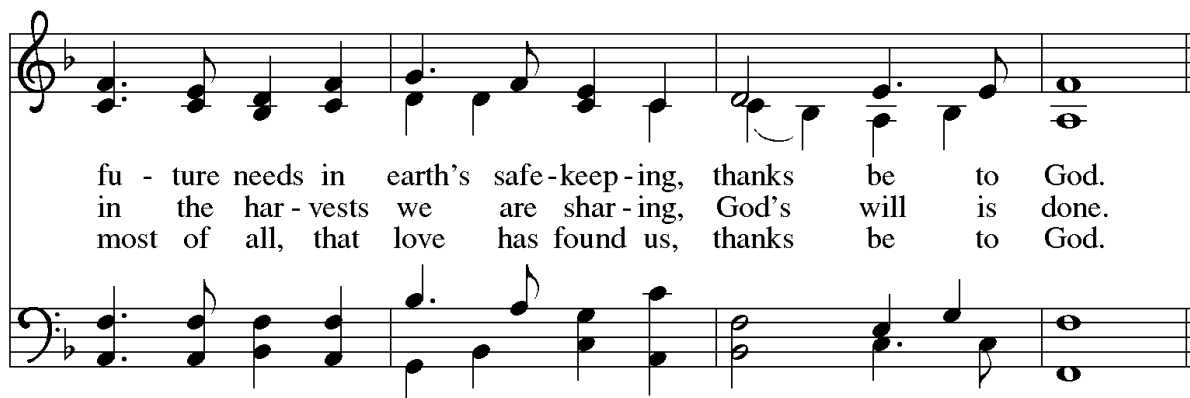
1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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The Feast

Setting the Table *the children lead us as we sing together:*

O Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest. And let these gifts to us be blest. All Praise to God who is our bread, may all the world be clothed and fed. Amen.

Let us pray, God of all good gifts who gives freely to us,
You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light. Amen

Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord is 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 God thanks and praise.

As we gather in this place, we remember, that in the night when Jesus was betrayed by his best friends, he took bread. He blessed it and broke it and gave it to these same friends saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, blessed it and gave it for all to drink saying, "This is the new covenant, the new promise, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me." Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

The Lord's Prayer

We pray our common prayer that Christ taught us.

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven: The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your beloved community of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

(Adapted from The New Zealand Book of Prayer | He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa. This version of the Lord's prayer was influenced by Maori theologians)

This is Christ's table. It's a table of love and welcome. It's a table of fellowship with the poor and communion with the earth.

So, come, those of you with great faith and those of you who wish you had more. Come, those of you who have tried to follow Jesus and those of you who have failed. Come, those of you who depend on this meal for your lives, and those of you for whom it is a strange thing.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Communion Songs - “

Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling”, “Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works”

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for

you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain
watch - ing for you and for me.
mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!
par - don for you and for me. Come home, come home!

You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works

Wakantanka taku nitawa

Wa - kan - tan - ka ta - ku ni - ta - wa tan - ka - ya
1 Man - y and great, O God, are your works, mak - er of
2 Grant un - to us com - mu - nion with you, O Star - a -

qa o - ta. Ma - hpi - ya kin e - ya - hna - ke ca,
earth and sky. Your hands have set the heav'ns with stars;
bid - ing One. Come un - to us and dwell with us;

ma - ka kin he du - o - wan - ca. Mni - o - wan
your fin - gers spread the moun - tains and plains. Lo, at your
with you are found the gifts of . . . life. Bless us with

ca - šbe - ya - wan - ke cin, he - na o - ya - ki - hi.
word the wa - ters were formed; deep seas o - bey your voice.
life that has no . . . end, e - ter - nal life with you.

Text: Joseph R. Renville, 1779–1846; para. Philip Frazier, 1892–1964, alt.

Music: LAC QUI PARLE, Dakota tune; arr. *Songs of the People*, 1986

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Blessing after Communion

Now may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen.**

The Sending

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose?
We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

Purpose Sightings

MILESTONES! Sing Verse 1 of "This is My Father's World"

It's time for sharing milestones - a time where we join together as a community to share the big, small, good, and hard milestones in our life.

This Is My Father's World



1 This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-t'ning ears all
 2 This is my Fa-ther's world; the birds their car-ols raise; the
 3 This is my Fa-ther's world; oh, let me not for-get that,



na-ture sings, and round me rings the mu-sic of the spheres.
 morn-ing light, the lil-y white, de-clare their mak-er's praise.
 though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the rul-er yet.



This is my Fa-ther's world; I rest me in the thought of
 This is my Fa-ther's world; he shines in all that's fair. In the
 This is my Fa-ther's world; why should my heart be sad? The



rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won-ders wrought.
 rus-ling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me ev-ry-where.
 Lord is king, let heav-en ring; God reigns, let earth be glad!

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858–1901
 Music: TERRA PATRIS, Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930, adapt.

BENEDICTION

May God who established the dance of creation, Who marvelled at the lilies of the field, Who transforms chaos to order, Lead us to transform our lives and the Church To listen to the voice of all creatures, That reflect God's glory in creation.

(adapted from the CTBI Eco-Congregation Programme)

SENDING SONG: "Go in Peace"

GO IN PEACE

Jeff Kjellberg

Em7 G D C Em7

(Go in peace and serve the Lord.) Go in peace

G D C Em7 G

and serve the Lord. (Let your life shine out

D C Em7 G D

in the world.) Let your life shine out in the world.

C Am7 D

(Christ is call-ing you to fol-low him.)

Am7 D Am7

Christ is call-ing you to fol-low him. (Make your

D B7

lives a liv-ing sac-ri-fice.) Sac-ri-fice!

Go in peace, serve the Lord.. **Thanks be to God.**

Music to Send You Out

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