

WORSHIP GUIDE for SUNDAY, MAY 10

Setting Your Space

For this Sunday's worship, you might remember that we're – yep, still! – in the season of Easter. Any signs of life you can bring into your space, reminding you of the promise of resurrection even when all seems lost, would be wonderful this morning. It's also Mother's Day, so if you have a picture or special object from someone who has mothered you, or someone you have mothered, that would be a nice addition, too. Think also just about what helps you experience the sacred – a bell to ring, a candle to light, a rock to hold, an icon to pray with, a flower to delight in – and draw that near to you for this time.

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Prelude

Welcome

Greeting One Another

Gathering Songs: *Come Now Almighty God*

Come now, Almighty God,
help us your name to laud; our songs we raise:
Ruler all glorious, o'er all victorious,
come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!

Come now, Incarnate Word,
by heaven and earth adored; our prayer attend;
Come, and your people bless, and give your word success;
grant us your holiness, Savior and Friend!

Come, holy Comforter,
your sacred witness bear in this glad hour.
Your grace to us impart, now rule in every heart,
never from us depart, Spirit of power!

To you, great One in Three,
eternal praises be for evermore.
Your sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
and to eternity love and adore.

Prayer of Joys & Concerns

Communal Prayer

Great Mother who is all around us, blessed be your names. Your Paradise has come, your will be done: as above, so below. Give us this day voices with which to sing, and teach our feet to dance, that we might teach others. Guide our hands to work your will, and fill our hearts with joy. For yours is the universe, the earth, and the stars forever. So may it be!

Children's Story: When I Colored in the World

Scripture: Psalm 139:1-12

God, you've searched me, and you know me. You know if I am standing or sitting; you read my thoughts from far away. Whether I walk or lie down you are watching; you are intimate with all of my ways. A word is not even on my tongue, God, before you know what it is: you hem me in, before and behind; you shield me with your hand. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me - a height my mind cannot reach!

Where could I run from your spirit? Where could I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you're there; if I make my bed in death, you're already there. I could fly away with wings made of dawn, or make my home on the far side of the sea, but even there your hand will guide me, your mighty hand holding me fast. If I say, "The darkness will hide me, and night will be my only light," even darkness won't be dark to you; the night will shine like the day - darkness and light are the same to you.

Sermon - "Where Can We Go?"

Response Song: *I Am*

There's no space that your love can't reach,
There's no place where we can't find peace,
There's no end to amazing grace.

I am holding on to you. I am holding on to you.
In the middle of the storm, I am holding on, I am.

Take me in with your arms spread wide,
Take me in like a lonely child,
Never let go, never leave my side.

I am holding on to you. I am holding on to you.
In the middle of the storm, I am holding on, I am.

Love like this, O my God, to find -
I am overwhelmed with a joy divine.
Love like this sets our hearts on fire.

I am holding on to you. I am holding on to you.
In the middle of the storm, I am holding on, I am.

This is my resurrection song. This is my hallelujah come.
This is why it's to you I run. (2x)

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In the middle of the storm, I am holding on, I am. (2x)
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The Reach of Our Gifts

Offertory: *A Mother's Love*

Closing Words

Going Forth Song: *Amazing Grace*

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

My God has promised good to me, whose word my hope secures;
God will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

Benediction

...may the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

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