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January 19, 2025

AN ASTERISK IN THE BULLETIN INDICATES THAT ALL FOR WHOM IT IS COMFORTABLE SHOULD RISE FOR THAT PART OF THE SERVICE

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Moriah Park

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

'Open My Eyes, That I May See'

No. 586

10:00 am

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are a community who strive to live and speak by God's Spirit.

People: And so we say, Jesus is Lord! Lord of our hearts. Lord of our spirits. Lord of our love.

Leader: We are many, with various spiritual gifts among us, but all of our gifts are from the same

Spirit. The Spirit of God.

People: Our gifts are given to us by God, but they are given to benefit the common good.

Leader: Wisdom is given to some, and knowledge to others. Unshakable faith is given to some, and healing to others. Through spiritual gifts some have performed miracles, and yet others have prophesied leading to God's justice being revealed.

People: All these things are produced by the one and same Spirit, who gives what it wants to each person. Let us worship in the presence of that Spirit, together!

OPENING PRAYER

*PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE

Begin by singing "Spirit of the Living God" #259 as a call to prayer for transformation and new life

Leader: As we sing about the Spirit of God falling freshly upon on, we pray to be transformed when our words and actions are shaped and molded by things other than the Holy Spirit. For the times when we have used the gifts of Your Spirit to enhance our own glory, O God, rather than using them to serve others.

People: Transform us, and show us a new way to live.

Leader: When our use of your gifts has led to division and discord rather than increasing understanding and unity.

People: Transform us, and show us a new way to live.

Leader: For believing one gift to be superior to another rather than celebrating the various ways in which they complement each other and build up the whole community.

People: Transform us, and show us a new way to live.

Leader: The Holy Spirit enables us to be transformed by God, and in praying for transformation we are acknowledging our commitment to the way Jesus lived, and our desire to love as Jesus loved.

People: God of Transformation, remind us always of our commitment to love as Jesus loved and to serve as Jesus served.

Leader: Fill us anew with the Holy Spirit so that our worship, witness, and service may reflect our unity and the faithful use of our diverse gifts.

People: We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*SUNG RESPONSE 'Near to the Heart of God' (vs. 3) No. 581

A TIME FOR ALL AGES Dani Kardisco

*HYMN OF PREPARATION 'Come and Find the Quiet Center' No. 575

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

12 Brothers and sisters, I don't want you to be ignorant about spiritual gifts. ² You know that when you were Gentiles you were often misled by false gods that can't even speak. ³ So I want to make it clear to you that no one says, "Jesus is cursed!" when speaking by God's Spirit, and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴ There are different spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are different ministries and the same Lord; ⁶ and there are different activities but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. ⁷ A demonstration of the Spirit is given to each person for the common good. ⁸ A word of wisdom is given by the Spirit to one person, a word of knowledge to another according to the same Spirit, ⁹ faith to still another by the same Spirit, gifts of healing to another in the one Spirit, ¹⁰ performance of miracles to another, prophecy to another, the ability to tell spirits apart to another, different kinds of tongues[a] to another, and the interpretation of the tongues to another. ¹¹ All these things are produced by the one and same Spirit who gives what he wants to each person.

SERMON Pastor Jeff Kardisco

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

Alex Green

During this time, we invite you to embrace the transition from hearing the word to gathering ourselves in prayer by taking a moment for quiet reflection either in your pew, or by coming forward to light a candle to give light to the prayer(s) on your heart that have no words to be expressed.

Come and Light a Candle...



PASTORAL PRAYER

THE PRAYER OF JESUS (in unison)

Our Creator (Father) who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kin-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kin-dom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CALL FOR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY 'The Gift of Love' (Traditional/Hopson)

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE 'Weave' No. 495

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 'They'll Know We Are Christians' No. 494

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE 'Spiritual' (Young/Wagner)

Participating In Todays Worship Service:

Rev. Jeffrey Kardisco, Senior Pastor Alex Green, Music Director Laura Ramos, Soloist David Wilcox, ASL Interpreter Dani Kardisco, Christian Education Director



WORDS and MUSIC: Clara H. Scott, 1895

OPEN MY EYES 88.98 w. refrain

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Near to the Heart of God



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WORDS and MUSIC: Rosemary Crow, 1979 © 1979 Rosemary Crow; used by parmission WEAVE Irr.

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494 They'll Know We Are Christians



WORDS and MUSIC: Peter Scholtes, 1966

ST. BRENDAN'S 76.76.86 w. refrain

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