April 21, 2024

Eastertide: The Challenges of Building Community

Gathering

VT Hymn 36 *Let Us Build a House*Call to worship
Welcome, Birthday Recognition
VT Hymn 44 *We Long to Know Her*Peace Lamp

L: Beloved, let us love one another

P: For God is love, and love casts out fear.

Offering ourselves and our money

Offering: VT Hymn 412 My Soul Cries Out

Telling God's Story

Scripture Acts 17:1-9; 1 Thess. 1:1-10

L: The stories of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

Children's time

Children 3 and under are dismissed for Little Children's time, following that there is child care available. Children 4-11 are invited to come up for children's time.

Sermon

Sharing our Stories

VT Hymn #85 *Heleluyan* Sermon response/Sharing from our lives

Sending

Introduction of Visitors
Announcements
VT Hymn 705 For the Healing of the Nations
Benediction

If you have an announcement that pertains to the whole congregation, please get it in writing to the worship leader.

Thanks to: Worship Leader: Glenn Gilbert; Song Leader: Kate Roth; Musicians: Hannah Lehman; Scripture Reader: Steven Johns; Children's time: Sean and Becky Smuts; Sermon: Richard Hughes, Pastoral sharing and prayer: Karl Shelly; Tech Crew: Eric Good Kaufmann, Phil Good-Elliot; Visuals: "Untitled Triptych" by Sonya Mateer Rempel.

Following first hour worship:

There is Sunday school for all ages of children and youth. Classroom locations are posted in the Gathering Space.

Adults: Please come back to the Worship Space for Second Hour with Richard Hughes. Electives are not meeting this week.

HEARING ASSISTANCE

This worship space has two systems to help people with hearing loss participate more fully in our life together.

- 1. FM system. Get a receiver and an ear speaker from the sound booth.
- 2. Hearing Loop accessed by hearing aids with t-coils. Find a seat in the worship space and turn on the t-coils.



Page 2 of 2 (F#m) (Bm) (Em) Refrain Gm Dm Am. are wel come, all are wel come, (D) (Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D) Gm C7 F Bb F 00 all are wel - come in this place.





My Soul Cries Out

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- 1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the 2 Though 1 am small, my God, my all, you
- 3 From the halls of power to the for - tress tower, not a
- 4 Though the na tions rage from age to age, we re -



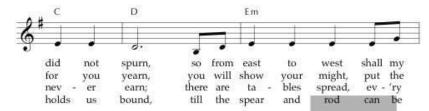
God of my heart is sings of the great, and my spir - it work great things in and your mer - cy will last from the me, stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cv must de -



won-drous things that you bring to the ones who wait. You depths of the past to the end of the age Your jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant from his The throne. us from the con - quer-or's crush - ing grasp. This



fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my weak - ness you ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would hun - gry poor shall weep no more for the food they can say - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the prom - ise which



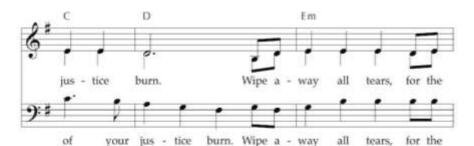
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Text: based on Luke 1:46-55; Rory Cooney (USA) Music: Irish traditional; arr. Rory Cooney © 1990 GIA Publications, Inc.





My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires





Heleluyan



"Translated Hallelujah, this song is associated with the Trail of Tears.

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795 For the Healing of the Nations



For a higher key, see "Angels from the Realms of Glory" (#265). *Alternate tune: FROM THE DEPTHS (#157)

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