

Order of Worship February 19, 2017

\*Indicates an invitation to stand as you are able.

The congregation is invited to respond with the words printed in **BOLD**.  
Hearing devices and large print bulletins are available from an usher.  
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Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

Leader: This is God's world! To us is given a vision of nations and races, lands and people, joined together in love.

**People: Praise be to God, the Creator, in whose image we are created.**

Leader: We come to celebrate and renew that vision, opening ourselves to the One who is its source and its living fire.

**People: We affirm in Christ that we can be, and are, one world family, working together to manifest God's kin-dom in the lives of all people!**



\*Sing! #161

Open Our, Eyes Lord

Opening Prayer

**O Spirit that flows through all of life, you were powerfully present in the life and ministry of Jesus. Yet many of his contemporaries were looking for something more dramatic, someone less simple. Like them, we do not always recognize your presence. Give us spirits that respond to your Spirit as an instrument resounds to a musician's touch, that we may delight in Your will and walk in your ways. In Christ Jesus we pray. Amen**

Children's Time

(Teachers, children and youth are invited to Sunday School classes in the Education Hall)

**Go now in peace, go now in peace,  
Go now in peace, may the love of God surround you,  
Everywhere, everywhere, you may go!**

Scripture Reading

Luke 17:11-19

Solo

Gift of Acceptance

Nikki Smith, soloist

Sermon

Racial Indifference and the Undercaste

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

\*Doxology (Tune 780)

Praise to God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ and Spirit, One. Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

**O Gracious God, bless our offering that it may reach and touch those who hunger, who hurt, who seek new hope. As part of the global village, we care about all of our sisters and brothers. We pray for world peace, for liberty to those oppressed, for joy to those who weary. In honor of our Sovereign God, Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Sharing Joys & Concerns  
Quiet Prayer  
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn #570

We Shall Overcome

\*Benediction

Postlude

Clair De Lune

Debussy

### **Mission Statement**

- ◇ While our Christian faith is 2000 years old, our thinking is not.
- ◇ We are a people on a faith journey where grace abounds.
- ◇ We celebrate God's still speaking voice revealed in our world today.
- ◇ We worship God, share the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and practice God's unconditional love for all creation.
- ◇ We act on our faith to achieve needed works of service, justice, love and kindness.
- ◇ We support one another, celebrating our roots and enthusiastically embracing our evolving future.
- ◇ We are an open and affirming congregation welcoming all in God's family wherever each is in life's journey.

### **Birthdays this Week**

David Randall-Bodman 02/23  
Kris Imbrie 02/24  
Jim Reed 02/25

### **Today's Worship Leaders**

Reader—Jean Doane  
Ushers—Linda Timmel (Head), Carolyn Rundorff, Cathy Thoma, David Thoma  
Altar Flowers—Pat Lewis  
Coffee—Home Perk  
Open and Close—David Green  
Sound—Sia Lindstrom, Monique Manley  
Nursery—Megan Lucas-Griffiths, Nancy Hilbrick  
Sunday School—Jim Butler, Karen Strickland  
Teens—Michele Green, Lauren Hake

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