

12 September 2021 9:00am Traditional Worship

On zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/95468493260>, password 3199.

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Welcome

Acknowledgment of Country

Call to worship

We sing: **Praise the One who broke the darkness**

Praise the one who breaks the darkness
with a liberating light.

Praise the one who frees the prisoners,
turning blindness into sight.

Praise the one who preached the Gospel,
healing every dread disease,
calming storms and feeding thousands
with the very bread of peace.

Praise the one who blessed the children
with a strong yet gentle word.

Praise the one who drove out demons
with a piercing two-edged sword.

Praise the one who brings cool water
to the desert's burning sand.

From this well comes living water,
quenching thirst in every land.

Praise the one true love incarnate:
Christ who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose for many
that we may know God by grace.

Let us sing for joy and gladness,
seeing what our God has done.
Praise the one redeeming glory,
praise the One who makes us one.

Prayers of Adoration

Bible reading: **Mark 8:27-38**

Prayer of Confession

Declaration of God's grace

We sing: **Your words to me are life and health (TiS 430)**

1 Your words to me are life and health;
They fortify my soul;
enable, guide, and teach my heart
to reach its perfect goal!

2 Your words to me are light and truth;
from day to day they show
their wisdom, passing earthly lore,
as in their truth I grow.

3 Your words to me are full of joy,
of beauty, peace, and grace;
from them I learn your blessed will,
through them I see your face.

4 Your words are perfected in One,
yourself, the living Word;
within my heart your image print
in clearest lines, O Lord.

Responsive Proverbs: **Proverbs 10:19-20; 15:1-4**

When words are many, transgression is not lacking,
but the prudent are restrained in speech.

²⁰ The tongue of the righteous is choice silver;
the mind of the wicked is of little worth.

A soft answer turns away wrath,
but a harsh word stirs up anger.

² The tongue of the wise dispenses knowledge,
but the mouths of fools pour out folly.

³ The eyes of the Lord are in every place,
keeping watch on the evil and the good.

⁴ A gentle tongue is a tree of life,
but perverseness in it breaks the spirit.

We listen: **God be in my head and in my thinking (version 1) (TiS 549)**

God be in my head, and in my thinking;
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking;
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;
God be in my heart, and in my understanding;

Bible reading: **James 3:1-12**

We listen: **God be in my head and in my thinking (version 2 – girls choir)**

Sermon

We sing: **Make me a channel of your peace (TiS 607)**

Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your
love.

Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord
And where there's doubt, true faith in
you.

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there's despair in life, let me bring
hope

Where there is darkness, only light
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh, Master grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved as to love with all my soul

Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
In giving all ourselves that we receive
And in dying that we're born to eternal
life.

Notices and sharing
Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the
glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

We sing: **O for a thousand tongues to sing (TiS 210 *alt.* vv. 1,6,2)**

1. O for a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and king,
The triumphs of his grace! (x3)

6. My gracious master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honours of thy name. (x3)

2. Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace. (x3)

Blessing