

8 November 9:00am Traditional Worship

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Welcome

Acknowledgment of Country

Call to worship

We sing: Let us build a house (Marty Haugen)

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

2. Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus.
*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

3. Let us build a house where love is found
in water, wine and wheat:
a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,

is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

4. Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

5. Let us build a house where all are named,
their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
*All are welcome, all are welcome,
all are welcome in this place.*

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Declaration of God's grace

Bible reading: Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 78:1-4,7

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

² **I will open my mouth in a parable;**

I will utter dark sayings from of old,

³ things that we have heard and known,
that our ancestors have told us.

⁴ **We will not hide them from their children;
we will tell to the coming generation**

the glorious deeds of the Lord, and his might,
and the wonders that he has done.

⁷ **...so that they should set their hope in God,
and not forget God's works.**

Bible readings: Matthew 25: 1-13

We sing: Come, O God of all the earth (TiS 181)

1. Come, O God of all the earth:
come to us, O Righteous One;
come, and bring our love to birth:
in the glory of your Son.

CHORUS

*Sing out, earth and skies!
sing of the God who loves you;
raise your joyful cries;
dance to the life around you.*

2. Come, O God of wind and flame:
fill the earth with righteousness;
teach us all to sing your name:
may our lives your love confess.
Chorus

3. Come, O God of flashing light:
twinkling star and burning sun;
God of day and God of night:
in your light we all are one.
Chorus

4. Come, O God of snow and rain:
shower down upon the earth;
come, O God of joy and pain:
God of sorrow, God of mirth.
Chorus

5. Come, O Justice, come, O Peace:
come and shape our hearts anew;
come and make oppression cease:
bring us all to life in you.
Chorus

Sermon

Anthem: Father, I place into your hands

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: Our God our help in ages past (TiS 47 vv. 1,2,6)

1. Our God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home:

2. under the shadow of your throne
your saints have dwelt secure:
sufficient is your arm alone,
and our defence is sure.

6. Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
remain our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.

Blessing

OPTIONAL groups for morning tea conversation.