



WORSHIP AT THE DAYTON CHURCH

October 25 10:00am

Call to Worship

In a world that cries out, “Fear me!”

**We will listen to Jesus’ words,
“Don’t be afraid!”**

In a world that wants us to hate the other...

We will live Jesus’ call to,

**“Love God.
Love your neighbor, as you love yourself.”**

In a world that radicalizes...

**We, too, will be radical.
Radical with our hospitality.
Radical with our hope.
Radical with our love.**

Then come to this place,
ready to be who we are called to be.

**Let us gather together
and worship God.**

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

2 I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

3 I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
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I have heard you calling in the night.
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Prayer of Confession

(inspired by Matthew 22:37-39, Mark 12:31)

**Almighty God,
you love us, but we have not loved you;
you call, but we have not listened.
We walk away from neighbors in need,
wrapped up in our own concerns.
We have gone along with evil,
with pride, quarrelling, and divisiveness.**

**Holy God, help us to face up to ourselves,
so that, as you move toward us in mercy,
we may repent, turn to you, and receive mercy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

~ posted on the PCUSA website.

<http://www.pcusa.org/>

Words of Assurance (Titus 3: 4-8)

Hear now God's assurance of pardon:

“But when the goodness and loving kindness
of God our Savior appeared,
he saved us,
not because of any works of righteousness
that we had done,
but according to his mercy,
through the water of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

This Spirit he poured out on us richly
through Jesus Christ our Savior,
so that, having been justified by his grace,
we might become heirs
according to the hope of eternal life.
The saying is sure.”

~ from the website of Christ Presbyterian Church, New Haven

Gloria Patri

Prayer for the Nation

Scripture Readings:

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

Matthew 22:34-46

This is the Word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

No More Questions

offered by Rev. Wendi L. Werner

Come! Live in the Light!

1 Come! Live in the light!

Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!

We are called

to be light for the kingdom,

to live in the freedom

of the city of God.

Refrain:

We are called to act with justice;

we are called to love tenderly;

we are called to serve one another,

to walk humbly with God.

2 Come! Open your heart!

Show your mercy to all those in fear!

We are called

to be hope for the hopeless

so hatred and violence

will be no more. (Refrain)

**3 Sing! Sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign,
and we'll walk with each other
as sisters and brothers
united in love. (Refrain)**

**We are called to act with justice;
we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.**

Prayer of Dedication

All things come from you, O God,
and with gratitude we return to you what is yours.
You created all that is,
and with love formed us in your image.
When our love failed, your love remained steadfast.
You gave your only Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior.

**All that we are, and all that we have,
is a trust from you.**

**And so, in gratitude for all your gifts,
we offer you ourselves, and all that we have,
in union with Christ's offering for us.**

**By your Holy Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other,
and one in ministry to all the world;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Prayers of the People
& The Lord's Prayer

**In quietness my Lord conferred
two truths I now declare:
no greater love than God's is known;
no power can compare.**

**God is my rock; God is my strength;
God is my salvation,
my refuge, my abiding peace.
I shall not be shaken.**

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