



Online Worship | January 17, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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PRELUDE Aina Olonade, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Speak to us this day, O Lord;

People: we are gathered to hear your Word. Leader: Empower us with your Holy Spirit People: to speak good news to the world.

Leader: Living God, with your Holy Spirit you anointed Jesus of Nazareth

to proclaim the time of your favor.

People: Help us to proclaim Christ,

so that the oppressed may be free, the blind may recover their sight, the captives may find release, and the poor may hear good news.

Leader: Through Christ, your Word is fulfilled, here and now.

Come let us worship the Lord. **People: Come let us worship the Lord.**

HYMN How Can We Name a Love UMH #111

Verse 1 Verse 2

How can we name a Love

That wakens heart and mind

Indwelling all we know

That asked no great reward

Or think or do

Inat asked no great asked no great

Or seek or find Was simply there

Within our daily world
In every human face

We can with parents' names
Describe and thus adore

Love's echoes sound

And God is found

Love unconfined
Our father kind

Hid in the commonplace Our mother strong and sure

Verse 3

When people share a task
And strength and skills unite

In projects old or new

To make or do
With shared delight

Our friend and partner's will

Is better understood That all should share Create and care

And know that life is good

Verse 4

So in a hundred names
Each day we all can meet
A presence sensed and shown

At work at home Or in the street

Yet names and titles all Shine in a brighter sun

In Christ alone
Is Love full grown

And life and hope begun

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (adapted from the Confession of Belhar)

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ.

We believe that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

We believe that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker.

We believe that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory, forever.

Amen.

PRAISE SONG

Your Grace is Enough

Praise Band

Verse 1

Great is Your faithfulness O God

You wrestle with the sinner's restless heart

You lead us by still waters into mercy

And nothing can keep us apart

Pre-Chorus

(So) remember Your people

Remember Your children

Remember Your promise O God

Chorus 1

Your grace is enough

Your grace is enough

Your grace is enough for me

Verse 2

Great is Your love and justice God of Jacob

You use the weak to lead the strong

You lead us in the song of Your salvation

And all Your people sing along

Chorus 2

Yeah Your grace is enough

Heaven reaches out to us

Your grace is enough for me

God I sing Your grace is enough

I'm covered in Your love

Your grace is enough for me for me

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 2:23-33 (NRSV)

The Word of God for the people of God!

Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

Arriving, Realizing, and Finishing Well

Rev. Amy Mercer

GIVING TALK AND PRAYER

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PRAISE SONG Lead Me To The Cross Praise Band

Now You're risen

To Your heart

To Your heart

Lead me to Your heart

Lead me to Your heart

Bridge

Verse 1

Saviour I come quiet my soul

Remember redemption's hill

You were as I tempted and tried human
The word became flesh

Where Your blood was spilled

Bore my sin in death

For my ransom

Pre-Chorus

Ev'rything I once held dear

I count it all as loss

Chorus

Lead me to the cross

Where Your love poured out

Bring me to my knees Lord I lay me down Rid me of myself

I belong to You

Oh lead me lead me to the cross

DOXOLOGY

BENEDICTION

PRELUDE All Creatures of Our God & King Judi Wilkinson, piano

Vaughan-Williams/Kelsey

sour Wilkinson, plane

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