



Kairos-Milwaukie United Church of Christ

Order of Worship for May 17, 2020

ZOOM Meeting ID: 984 869 259

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Join by phone:

1-253-215-8782 US or 1-301-715-8592 US



WELCOME

Announcements and tech adjustments.

GATHERING MUSIC

Please be muted. Light a candle. Breathe.

OPENING PRAYER

We gather in this moment to bless God.

Let the sound of our praise be heard.

Life in this world tests us right now...

We are living through a trial, and we are all carrying burdens.

We face threats in this life.

We go through storms and troubles.

Yet God always brings us out into a spacious place.

God brings us to a place full of mercy and love, a place of joy and community.

We come together in spirit now to seek God, who blesses us.



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SONG

Come Forth, O Love Divine

Ian Timmons

(Our various internet speeds prevent us from singing together, so please remember to stay muted on zoom. Also, please delight your housemates by singing along with gusto.)

**Come forth, O Love divine, seek now this soul of mine,
And visit it with your own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear.
and kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.**

**And so the yearning strong with which the soul will long,
shall far out-pass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace, till love create a place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.**

PRAYER OF UNBURDENING

ANTHEM

Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant

Ian Timmons,

Lizzy Soper & Colin Shepard

LIBERATING WORD

Gospel Testimony

John 14: 15-18

Chris Christensen

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you."

LIBERATING WORD

Testimony of the Early Church

Acts 17: 22-31

Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would



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search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring." Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

REFLECTION

Pastor Jeanne

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Song:

Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face

Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see.

Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice.

Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear.

Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love like you.

Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love.

Please feel free to unmute your ZOOM connection and share your joys and concerns.

The Prayer of Jesus:

Our father, our Mother, in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth

as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

Members and friends of the congregation continue to give to our mutual life in many ways: with time and effort, prayer and love, and yes, money. We cannot give and receive offering in our usual way, but we can bless the monetary gifts sent by mail and through the website, and the gifts of time and care shared daily across our community.

Holy One, give of all good things, bless we pray all the gifts we offer, that we may become gifts to one another, and to the world just as Jesus taught and lived. Amen.



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BLESSING

SENDING SONG

Go in Peace

Ian Timmons

Our God's light, Our Savior's grace,
The warm love of the Spirit's embrace,
Will guide you as you leave this place.
Go in peace. Go in peace.

May you find peace as you walk in faith.
May you find joy as you run the race.
May God bless you and keep you always.
Go with love. Go with love.