

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church
The Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 21, 2024

Building a community of faith unleashed into the world by the love of God.

Words & Music to Hymns/Responses are included at the end of the bulletin.

Gathering Around the Word

Centering Meditation

What a Wonderful World

George David Weiss

*I see skies of blue and clouds of white
The bright blessed day, the dark sacred night
And I think to myself what a wonderful world
The colors of the rainbow so pretty in the sky
Are also on the faces of people going by
I see friend shaking hands and saying "How do you do?"
But they're really saying, "I love you."*

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

Morning Has Broken

arr. by Mark Hayes

Welcome

Call to Worship

One: Come, let us worship the God who came to seek and save the lost.

All: Let us worship the God who came to seek and save each of us.

One: Let us welcome God into our homes and our hearts.

All: Let us give of ourselves in this worship time that we may know God.

Let us joyfully and with gratitude worship God!

Opening Hymn # 26 (see below) Earth and All Stars

Call to Confession

One: We show others who we are by the lives we lead, the words we speak, and
and the actions we undertake. Let us confess how we have failed to love as
we have been loved.

Prayer of Confession

All: We ask forgiveness -

**When we are unkind to people, and forget they are God's children,
When we are careless with the beasts, and forget they are God's creation,
When we ill-treat the land, and forget the splendor of God;**

All: Forgive us, O God of love, and reconcile us to yourself, to one another and to the Creation. Teach us that the earth and all its fullness is yours, the world and all who dwell in it. Call us again to safeguard the gift of our home on Earth, now and forever. Amen.

Silent Prayers

Words of Forgiveness

One: God has given to all people, without distinction, the message of repentance that leads to life. Sisters and Brothers, our sins are forgiven. Be at peace.

Passing of Christ's Peace

One: The peace of Christ always be with you.

All: And also with you.

Response # 583 (see below) Glory to God / Gloria, Gloria

Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination

One: Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your word and world. Amen.

First Reading	Jeremiah 31: 31-36	pew Bible, page 642
Anthem		
Second Reading:	Luke 19: 1-10	pew Bible, page 854
Sermon	On Our Hearts	Rev. Eric Koenig-Reinke

Responding to the Word

Hymn # 692 (see below) Spirit, Open My Heart

Mission Focus Climate Crisis Bill Renfro

Invitation to the Offering

One: Generous God, you have blessed us with the resources to share the good news of your love for all creation. We dedicate these gifts and pray that they may bring healing, wholeness, and hope to the world. Amen.

Offertory

Response # 607 (see below) Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayer of Thanksgiving

All: Creator God, We pray to you, with gratitude –
For your holding and sustaining love
For the air, water, and soil that sustain us
For the mountains and rivers and oceans that calm our spirits
For loving and supporting all beings and all creation.
Help us to remember our place in the great web of life
Help us to remember that we are but a part of this great web,
and that we must do our part for all life.

Generous God, in gratitude and humility, we ask that you hold us
and sustain us, as we strive to live in connection with you and all life.
In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Prayers of the People

Bearing and Following the Word Into the World

Closing Hymn # 19 (see below) God of Great and God of Small

Matters of Community

Postlude This Is My Father's World arr. by Lloyd Larson

Charge and Benediction

Pastor: ... and let the people say:

All: Alleluia! Amen.

Worship Resources:

Worship: Call to Worship: Luke 19: 1-10 (re-worship.blogspot.com)

<https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2019-06/9-prayers-leeds-diocese.pdf>

Prayer to Mother Earth | WorshipWeb | www.UUA.org

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Music: David N Johnson, 1968; Tune © 1968,
Augsburg Fortress Text: © 1968, Augsburg Fortress;
Spirit, open my heart – Text: Ruth Duck; Music: arr. by
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Earth and All Stars!

1 Earth and all stars! Loud rush - ing plan - ets!
 2 Trum - pet and pipes! Loud clash - ing cym - bals! Sing to the
 3 En - gines and steel! Loud pound - ing ham - mers!
 4 Knowl - edge and truth! Loud sound - ing wis - dom!

Lord a new song! Hail, wind, and rain! Loud blow - ing
 Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud hum - ming
 Lime - stone and beams! Loud build - ing
 Daugh - ter and son! Loud pray - ing

snow - storm!
 cel - los! Sing to the Lord a new song! God has done
 work - ers!
 mem - bers!

mar - vel - ous things. We too sing prais - es with a new song!

This lively text was written for the 90th anniversary of St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. Echoing Psalm 98, it is a prime example of a 20th-century hymn style based on phrases rather than complete sentences. The exuberant tune was created expressly for these words.

Glory to God

583

Gloria, gloria

Capo 3: (Bm)

(Em) (A)

(D)

Dm

Gm

C

F

(chords continue)

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

**May be sung as a canon.*

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text

MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979

Music © 1979, 1981 Les Presses de Taizé (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

GLORIA (Taizé)

DEDICATION AND STEWARDSHIP

692 Spirit, Open My Heart

Capo 3: (D) (G) (D) (G) (A7)
 Refrain F B^b F B^b C7

Spir - it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of

(Bm) (D/A) (G) (A7) (Bm) (D/A) (Em)
 Dm F/C B^b C7 Dm F/C Gm

liv - ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing

(D) (G) (Em7) (D) (G) (D)
 F B^b Gm7 F B^b F

and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.

(D) (G) (D) (G)
 F B^b F B^b

1 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a heart that's
 2 Write your love up - on my heart as my law, my
 3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of

(A7) (Bm) (D/A) (G) (A7)
 C7 Dm F/C B^b C7

kind and ten - der. All my cold - ness and
 goal, my sto - ry. In each thought, word, and
 sis - ter, broth - er. In the wel - come of

(Bm) (Em7) (D) (G2) (G)
 Dm Gm7 F B^b2 B^b

fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.
 deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.
 Christ, may we wel - come one an - oth - er.

The pace and diversity of modern life often hinder us from remaining vulnerable to our emotions and to the humanness of other people. This prayerful text to be open to such joys and pains draws on Ezekiel 11:19 and 36:26 in stanza one and echoes Jeremiah 31:33 in stanza two.

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Praise God, from Whom
All Blessings Flow
Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people

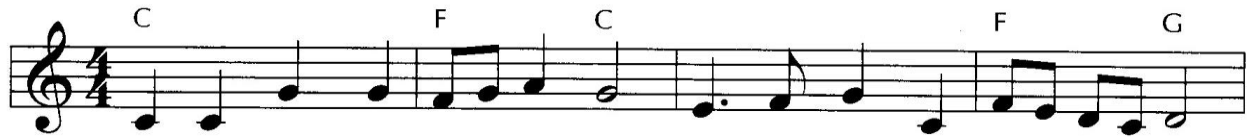
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MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551
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here below; praise Holy Spirit ever more;

praise Tri-une God, whom we adore. Amen.

God of Great and God of Small 19



1 God of great and God of small, God of one and God of all,
 2 God of land and sky and sea, God of life and des - ti - ny,
 3 God of si - lence, God of sound, God by whom the lost are found,
 4 God of heaven and God of earth, God of death and God of birth,



God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things be - long,
 God of nev - er - end - ing power, yet be - side me ev - ery hour,
 God of day and dark - est night, God whose love turns wrong to right,
 God of now and days be - fore, God who reigns for - ev - er - more,

Refrain



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, praise be to your name.

Although it uses remarkably simple language, this text affirms a great mystery: beyond all our powers of explanation, God holds together all the opposites that seem to pull us in one direction or another. Yet God is present to them all and also to us; for that we give praise.

TEXT: Natalie Sleeth, 1973

MUSIC: Natalie Sleeth, 1973; arr. Beverly A. Howard, 2012

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GOD OF GREAT AND SMALL

7.7.7.7 with refrain