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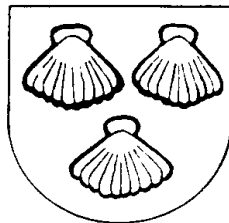
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9:30 am

“The Polarization Within: Compassion”

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Coming Together

Prelude "Christ, Be Our Light" arr. Sally Drennan Mossing *Offered by Clarice Snyder*

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Welcome *Rev. Patricia Abell*

Gathering Song "Christ Has Broken Down the Wall" (vs. 1) *W & S 3122*

**Christ has broken down the wall.
Christ has broken down the wall.
Let us join our hearts as one,
Christ has broken down the wall.**

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Opening Prayer *Mary Anne Espenshade*

**Reconciling God,
we ask you to help us open to compassion,
for we are a divided world,
and the conflict is waging even within us in this moment.
Empower us, and invite us
to "do unto ourselves and others" in ways that build up
your kin-dom on earth as it is in heaven.
We pray this in the name of Jesus, the Center That Holds,
and in the power of the Spirit That Transforms. Amen.**

"Christ Has Broken Down the Wall" *W & S 3122*

**(Sung)
(vs. 2 & 3)
We're accepted as we are.
We're accepted as we are.
Through God's power, all is reconciled;
we're accepted as we are.**

**Cast aside your doubts and fears.
Cast aside your doubts and fears.
Peace and love freely offered here;
cast aside your doubts and fears.**

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Peace Across the Divide

Passing the Peace

Mary Anne Espenshade

Leader: Wait.

People: Breathe.

Leader: Let the anxiety take a break for just a moment.

People: Breathe again.

Leader: We are not alone.

People: Christ is with us.

The Peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

***Opening Hymn**

“They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love”

TFWS 2223

1. We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity
May one day be restored

Chorus

2. We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
And together we’ll spread the news
That God is in our land

Chorus

Chorus

And they’ll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love
Yes, they’ll know we are Christians
by our love

3. We will work with each other
We will work side by side
We will work with each other
We will work side by side
And we’ll guard human dignity
And save human pride

Chorus

4. All praise to the Father
From whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus
His only Son
And all praise to the Spirit
Who makes us one

Chorus

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Proclaiming Really Good News

The Jesus Tour Children’s Time

Donna Benson

*Please stand as able

Scripture

Isaiah 11: 6-9 NRSVUE

Mary Anne Espenshade

Response: *Reader:* A word of God for our times.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

“This Is the Kingdom”

Praise Team

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Message

“The Polarization Within: Compassion”

Rev. Patricia Abell

Prayer of “The Others”

Mary Anne Espenshade

We pray for safety,
for ourselves and others.
We pray for healing,
for ourselves and others.
We pray for the spiritual capacity for kindness,
for ourselves and others.
We pray for freedom to live,
for ourselves and others.

Lord’s Prayer

Mary Anne Espenshade

Offering

***Doxology**

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God All creatures here below
Alleluia alleluia
Praise God the source of all our gifts
Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts
Praise the Spirit Holy Spirit
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

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Offering Prayer

Rippling Forth

***Closing Hymn**

“Draw the Circle Wide”

W & S 3154

Draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.
Draw the circle, draw the circle wide.
No one stands alone,
we’ll stand side by side.
Draw the circle,
draw the circle wide.

Draw the circle wide,
Draw it wider still.
Let this be our song:
No one stands alone.
Standing side by side,
Draw the circle,
Draw the circle wide.

*Please stand as able

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Benediction

Rev. Patricia Abell

“Christ Has Broken Down the Wall” (vs. 4)

W & S 3122

**We will tear down the walls.
We will tear down every wall.
God has called us one and all;
Christ has broken down the wall,
Christ has broken down the wall.**

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Postlude

“As One” by Sally Drennan Mossing

Offered by Clarice Snyder

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Questions for Reflection

Look for places where the wolf and the lamb lie down together in peace. Where do you see that peace in your relationships, in your family or circle of friends, in the neighborhood, the city, the nation, and the world? Even within yourself, where has peace been forged between previously warring factions?

Household Prayer: Morning

As I rise, O God, I give you thanks for safety in the night, for rest from my labors, for another day in this creation. Turn my eyes toward what is noble. Teach me to see hope where it is veiled. Give me the wisdom to desire the good. Help me to love not only those I encounter but myself as well, for with you, I know my many frailties and failings. Let peace reign. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

As I end this day, Holy One, I give you thanks for the richness of my hours: for family and friends, for people with whom I work and play, for my neighbors, for those who fill this world with music and art, for those whose needs remind me of my blessings and whose skills make me grateful for differences. Guard us all, O God, and keep us in your embrace until the daylight comes. Amen.

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