

THE GRACE OF
Les Misérables
A LENTEN JOURNEY



The Service of Worship

March 29, 2020

bold, bold italic are spoken/sung in unison

Welcome

Rev. Lara Whitley Franklin

Prelude

Introito
Rudimar Bonamigo

A. Vieira

Call to Worship

Caleb Bennetch

One: We are called to be the people of faith
in the midst of the world,

**All: and so we mix our worship and our work,
our faith and our life.**

One: We gather here as people who live in the world and yet,

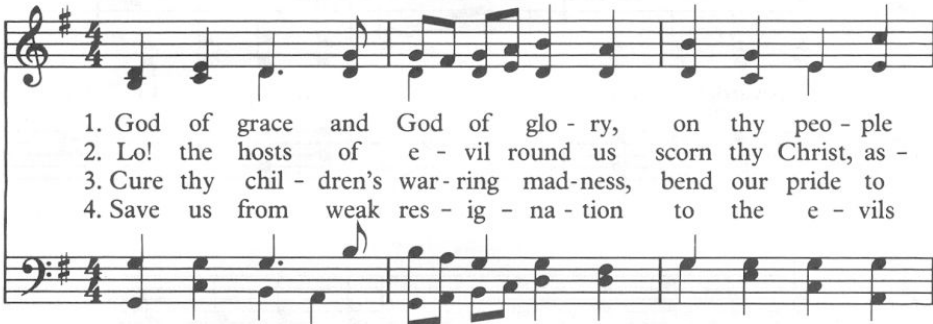
**All: we gather as people who have been called
to see the world from a different viewpoint.**

One: God has called us together,
God has called us to be part of a community.

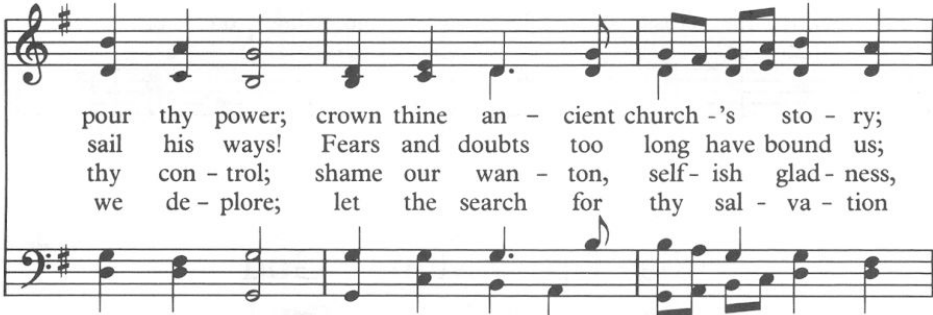
**All: God challenges us to consider questions of priority
as we engage with the world.**

THE NATURE OF THE CHURCH

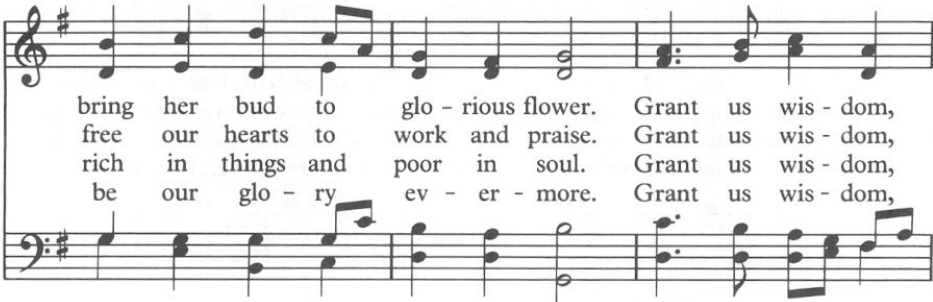
577 God of Grace and God of Glory



1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
 2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
 3. Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to
 4. Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils




pour thy power; crown thine an - cient church -'s sto - ry;
 sail his ways! Fears and doubts too long have bound us;
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 we de - plore; let the search for thy sal - va - tion



bring her bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom,
 free our hearts to work and praise. Grant us wis - dom,
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,



grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
 grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
 grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's
 grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -



hour, (of this hour) for the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, (of these days) for the liv - ing of these days.
 goal, (king - dom's goal) lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 dore, (we a - dore) serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

**All: We believe in God
whose love is the source of all life
and the desire of our lives,
whose love was given a human face
in Jesus of Nazareth,
whose love was crucified by the evil
that awaits to enslave us all
and whose love, defeating deathless,
holds a promise of freedom.**

**Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful
and full of doubt, in God we trust;
and in the name of Jesus Christ,
we commit ourselves in the service of others,
to seek justice and to live in peace,
to care for the Earth and to share
the commonwealth of God's goodness,
to live in the freedom of forgiveness
and the power of the spirit of love,
and in the company of the faithful,
wherever found. Amen.**

(from: Iona Abbey Worship Book, p.75/adapted)

Gloria Patri

Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho-ly
 Ghost; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er
 shall be, world with-out end. A - men. A - men.

Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Franklin

**All: 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.
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

Scripture Readings

Rev. Lara Franklin

Those who say, “I love God” and hate their brothers or sisters are liars.
After all, those who don’t love their brothers or sisters whom they have
seen can hardly love God whom they have not seen!

1 John 4:20

Don’t do anything for selfish purposes, but with humility think of others as
Better than yourselves. Instead of each person watching out for their
own good, watch out for what is better for others.

Philippians 2:3-4

Let’s not get tired of doing good, because in time we’ll have a harvest if we
don’t give up.

Galatians 6:9

Sermon

Love Beyond Us

Rev. Lara Franklin

Hymn

Help Us Accept Each Other

Help Us Accept Each Other

Fred Kaan, 1974

AURELIA

Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

1. Help us ac - cept each oth - er as Christ ac - cept - ed us;
2. Teach us, O Lord, your les - sons, as in our dai - ly life
3. Let your ac - cep - tance change us, so that we may be moved
4. Lord, for to - day's en - coun - ters with all who are in need,

5
teach us as sis - ter, broth - er, each per - son to em - brace.
we strug - gle to be hu - man and search for hope and faith.
in liv - ing sit - u - a - tions to do the truth in love;
who hun - ger for ac - cep - tance, for righ - teous - ness and bread,

10
Be pres - ent, Lord, a - mong us, and bring us to be - lieve
Teach us to care for peo - ple, for all, not just for some,
to prac - tice your ac - cep - tance, un - til we know by heart
we need new eyes for see - ing, new hands for hold - ing on;

15
we are our - selves ac - cept - ed and meant to love and live.
to love them as we find them, or as they may be - come.
the ta - ble of for - give - ness and laugh - ter's heal - ing art.
re - new us with your Spir - it; Lord, free us, make us one!


Offertory

Send Me Out

Steve Fee


Caleb Bennetch and Jieun Lee

Doxology




Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be - low: Al-le -

5



lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Je - sus Christ whose pow'r up -

10



lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho-ly Spir - it! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia!

Hymn

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with

me; let there be peace on earth, the peace that was

meant to be. *With God our cre - a - tor,

chil - dren all are we. Let us

walk with each oth - er in per - fect har - mo - ny.

*Original words: With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.

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WORLD PEACE
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Let peace be - gin with me; let this be the mo - ment
now. With ev - ery step I take, let
this be my sol - emn vow: to take each mo - ment and
live each mo - ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it be - gin with me.

Benediction

Rev. Franklin

Postlude

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart
Jieun Lee

Mark Hayes