SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021
9:00 AM

New Song

CHURCH LIFE UPDATE — Steven Phillips

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP — Steve Knopik

SONG OF WORSHIP — *Indescribable* — Laura Story

Verse 1
From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea,
Creation's revealing your majesty.
From the colors of fall to the fragrance of spring,
Every creature unique in the song that it sings,
All exclaiming . . .

Chorus 1
Indescribable, uncontainable!
You placed the stars in the sky and you know them by name.
You are amazing God.
All powerful, untamable!
Awestruck we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim:
You are amazing God.

Verse
Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go,
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light,
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night?
None can fathom . . . **(Chorus 1)**

Chorus 2
Indescribable, uncontainable!
You placed the stars in the sky and you know them by name.
You are amazing God.
Incomparable, unchangeable!
You see the depths of my heart and you love me the same.
You are amazing God.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION — Steven Phillips

Holy One,
We are humbled by the history of this place,
by the generosity of those who surround us,
by the love that keeps weaving your people together.

Meet us now in this hour.
Restore your people until we shine with the hope of our baptism,
and turn, as one, to serve you in the world.

(silent prayer)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SONG OF WORSHIP *We Are One In the Spirit* Peter Scholtes

Verse 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.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Verse 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,
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Verse 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,
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

Verse 4

All praise to the Father from whom all things come,
And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

THE PEACE OF CHRIST Steven Phillips

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Molly Horner

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON Bruce Wismer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Steven Phillips

SONG *Where Charity and Love Prevail* arr. Phillips

Where charity and love prevail
There God is always found;
Drawn in and woven by God's love,
We're to each other bound.

Remember well that in our midst
Dwells Christ, the Holy Son.
As members of one body joined,
In him we are made one.

Let fear among us be released,
Let all contentions cease.
Reward the differences we bring
And find a richer peace.

Let us forgive each other's faults
As we our own confess,
That we may love each other well
In Christ-like gentleness.

Love welcomes every race and creed
As rich and holy signs
Of God's own nature, full and free,
And we the grand design.

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VIDEO PRESENTATION: WOVEN IN FRIENDSHIP

SENDING SONG *All Over the World* Martin / Redman

Verse 1
Even as the world began,
The stars they sang and all the angels shouted for joy,
Shouted for joy!
And looking back through history
Your people they have always had a song they must sing,
Song they must sing.

Pre-Chorus
We are the people of God.
We'll sing your song here on the earth.

Chorus
All over the world your song will resound,
All over the world your praises ring out.
We're living to see your name and renown
All over the world.

Verse 2
Young and old, near and far,
There's a place for every heart to join in your song,
Join in your song.
Every nation, tribe, and tongue
Come together, join as one, give glory to God,
Glory to God!

Pre-Chorus
We are the people of God.
We'll sing your song here on the earth.

Chorus
All over the world your song will resound,
All over the world your praises ring out.
We're living to see your name and renown
All over the world.

Bridge
Great is your name and great will be your song.
Great is your name and great will be your song.
We lift up our hands and pray,
Lift up our hands and pray
For holy is your name! **(Chorus)**

BENEDICTION Bruce Wismer

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