WORSHIP TOGETHER for the week beginning June 20, 2021



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our gathering

Welcome

Call To Worship

The Lord is my strength and my song; the Lord has become my victory. The strong right arm of the Lord has done glorious things! This is the Lord's doing.

and it is marvelous to see. Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good. The Lord's faithful love endures forever.

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

No. 57, The United Methodist Hymnal (1989)

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of canceled sin, he sets the prisoner free; his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.

In Christ, your head, you then shall know, shall feel your sins forgiven; anticipate your heaven below, and own that love is heaven.

our reading & reflection

"The Bright Star and Three Visitors"

Matthew 2:1-12 The Beginners Bible

"Where the Signs Lead"

Pastor Jacob

"There's a Song in the Air"

No. 249, The United Methodist Hymnal (1989)

There's a song in the air! There's a star in the sky! There's a mother's deep prayer and a baby's low cry! And the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing, for the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!

There's a tumult of joy o'er the wonderful birth, for the virgin's sweet boy is the Lord of the earth. Ay! the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing, for the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!

In the light of that star lie the ages impearled; and that song from afar has swept over the world. Every hearth is aflame, and the beautiful sing in the homes of the nations that Jesus is King! We rejoice in the light, and we echo the song that comes down through the night from the heavenly throng. Ay! we shout to the lovely evangel they bring, and we greet in his cradle our Savior and King!

communion

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The presider continues offering praise to God and concludes with an invitation for all to offer their thanks.

Your blessings overflow, help us to recognize and name them now...

You are invited to name things you are thankful for. Feel free to share with everyone verbally. You may also type your thanks in the chat.

After all have been given an opportunity to share their thanksgivings, the following refrain is sung:

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

No. 95, The United Methodist Hymnal (1989)

There's a song in the air! There's a star in the sky! There's a mother's deep prayer and a baby's low cry! And the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing, for the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King! There's a tumult of joy o'er the wonderful birth, for the virgin's sweet boy is the Lord of the earth. Ay! the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing, for the manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!

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The presider continues in prayer offering thanks for Jesus. The presider concludes:

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving, as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith. Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The presider invokes the Holy Spirit asking that the church seek God's will in all things as it prays. You are invited to add your specific prayers silently, verbally, or in the chat (if worshipping virtually) following the prompts below: Together let us pray for our world... Together let us pray for our community and neighborhoods... Together let us pray for our friends and family... Together let us pray for ourselves...

The presider concludes the prayer, and all are invited to pray together.

The Lord's Prayer (spoken)

No. 895, The United Methodist Hymnal (1989)

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, forever. Amen.

Sharing of the Bread & Cup

Offertory

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our going forth

Witness & Blessing

Amen

No. 2072 (Refrain ONLY), The Faith We Sing (2001)

Thank you for worshipping with us today!

You are welcome to stay (in whatever space you are joining us) and fellowship—get to know and check-in and enjoy the company of others.

your thoughts & notes

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