

# Worship Service for August 4, 2024

Prelude Marshall Davies

Chiming of the Hour Jan Lundy

Welcome Pastor Felix Carrión

**Centering Moment** Pastor Felix Carrión

Praise & Worship Songs Congregation

"We'll Be the Hands, We'll Be the Feet"

Open our hearts, open our minds

Let us join together as we have been designed

Let us grow more deeply into You

Let us spread Your light and keep it shining through

Each one of us, all around the earth As a part of the Body, has our worth

We'll be the hands, we'll be the feet
We'll circulate through the heart, where we all meet

Built up in love, and joined as one Grown into Christ, we'll see Your work through till it's done

We will be strong, we'll live without fear
Emboldened by Your love, we will persevere
We will stand for truth, in justice, we'll rejoice
We will speak the Word for those who have no voice

Each one of us, all around the earth As a part of the Body, has our worth

We'll be the hands, we'll be the feet
We'll circulate through the heart, where we all meet
Built up in love, and joined as one
Grown into Christ, we'll see Your work through till it's done

Help us to seek that we might find
Your compassion and grace for all humankind
Help us connect as one community
Abiding in Your loving unity

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#### **Announcements**

Jan Lundy

# **Call to Worship**

Jan Lundy

LEADER: Your glory, O Mystery, is declared in the holy silence of the heavens, and told in the silent succession of day and night.

ALL: The sun joyfully leaps across the sky, from one end of the heavens to the farthest reaches, and nothing is hidden from its heat or light.

LEADER: Expand our hearts to enjoy the sweet drippings of the honeycomb of curiosity and exploration.

ALL: Expand our minds to ponder with holy wonder the source of it all and the myriad manifestations all around us.

LEADER: Let our lives be radiant with holy wonder,

ALL: delighting in your earth and receiving wisdom from the majesty of creation.

# \*Congregational Song

Congregation

TNCH #30 "Colorful Creator" vs. 1, 3, & 4

Colorful Creator, God of mystery,
Thank you for the artist teaching us to see
Glimpses of the meaning of the commonplace,
Visions of the holy in each human face.

Author of our journey, God of near and far,
Praise for tale and drama telling who we are,
Stripping to the essence struggles of our day,
times of change and conflict when we choose our way.

God of truth and beauty, Poet of the Word,
May we be creators by the Spirit stirred,
Open to your presence in our joy and strife,
Vessels of the holy coursing through our life.

# **Gathering Prayer**

Congregation

**ALL:** God of the Cosmos, your love reaches beyond space and time. We are astonished by your vast creation – innumerable galaxies surrounded by dark matter, elegant structures and staggering variety, the interplay of matter and energy, the pull of gravity and the speed of light, the verdancy and resources of earth – all showing your wisdom and glory, O God! We are dust and stardust, made in your image. We are part of the creation you are making new. Let our awe increase, until we find ourselves beautifully plunged in wonder, love, and praise.

Amen.

Jan Lundy

Love146

**Offertory Music** 

**Marshall Davies** 

\*Doxology

Congregation

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God for all that Love has done

Creator, Christ, and Spirit one Amen.

# **Offertory Prayer**

Jan Lundy

ALL: Gracious and Generous One, for the blessings of this and all our days we thank you. Accept, we pray, not just these gifts we bring but also our lives freely offered in gratitude for all you have done and do for us. May they serve your purpose and will in this place and wherever you might take us.

Amen.

#### Psalm 19:1-4

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard; yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

### **Contemporary Witness**

Pastor Felix Carrión

Living Deeply: The Art & Science of Transformation in Everyday Life Schlitz, Vieten, Amorok

As you savor the thoughtful messages in Living Deeply, consider this simple meditation. You are in a space capsule with Edgar Mitchell, the Apollo 14 astronaut. You're there in the vastness of outer space. You see all the stars shining majestically. You look down and see something that looks like a round, opalescent, glistening, shining jewel. You can see the blue of the oceans, the

white of the clouds, the brown streaks of the deserts, the gray mountaintops, and the green of the jungles and forests. And of course, you're with Edgar, so you're hoping you're going to get back safely to this jewel called Earth.

Reflection

Pastor Felix Carrión

"Living In Wonder"

**Special Music** 

Marshall Davies

Prelude in F Major from The Well-Tempered Clavier

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Pastor Felix Carrión

Jesus' Prayer

Congregation

The New Zealand Book of Prayer

ALL: Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer,
Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall
be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God,
in whom is heaven: The hallowing of your

name echoes through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustains our hope and comes on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever.

#### **Amen**

**Invitation to Communion** 

Pastor Felix Carrión

Communion Prayer
Breaking Bread and Pouring Cup
Sharing the Elements

# Plymouth Choir

#### "In Remembrance"

In remembrance of me, eat this bread.

In remembrance of me, drink this wine.

In remembrance of me, pray for the time when God's own will is done.

In remembrance of me, heal the sick.
In remembrance of me, feed the poor.
In remembrance of me, open the door and let your people in, let them in.

Take, eat and be comforted; drink, and remember, too, that this is my body and precious love shared for you, shared for you.

In remembrance of me, search for truth.

In remembrance of me, always love.

In remembrance of me, don't look above,

but in your heart,

look in your heart (3x) for God.

Do this in remembrance of me. (3x)

# **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Congregation

ALL: Loving One, we give you thanks for the gift of Jesus' presence in the simplicity and splendor of this holy meal. We are grateful that you have renewed our strength and resolve to be a blessing to all others. Embolden our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

# Congregation

Sing! #71 "God of Inspiration"

SONG LEADER: To the One who paints the colors into the sunsets of the sky.

To the One who shapes the plants and creatures, infinite of design.

For the 'unsymmetric' symmetry of the sparrow, the oak, the rose.

For the ever-changing tapestry that feeds the eye and soul.

ALL: We praise You, O God of Inspiration.

We praise You, for breathing life into creation.

O we praise You, praise You. We praise You, God...

...for the canvas of our lives.

SONG LEADER: We praise You, O God of Inspiration.

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**Benediction** 

Pastor Felix Carrión

**Song of Parting** 

Congregation

Sing! #196 "Let It Shine"

Let it shine, let it shine,

The light of the world that shows the way;

Let it shine, let it shine,

And show us love today.

Let it shine, let it shine,

The light of the world that shows the way;

Let it shine, let it shine,

And show us joy today.

# **Today's Worship Participants**

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