



Worship Service for June 30, 2024

Prelude Marshall Davies

Chiming of the Hour Amie Friday

Welcome Amie Friday

Centering Moment Rev. Donna Renfro

Praise & Worship Songs Congregation

Sing! #7 "Welcome to This House"

Welcome to this house,
Open and affirming.
In God's Son we are all one.
Hand in hand we stand.

Welcome to this house,
Caring and accepting.
In God's Son we are all one.
Welcome to this house of God.

Welcome to this house,
There is room for everyone.
All will sing, praises we bring
Let us all be one.

Welcome to this house,
Where God gives the call to serve.
All will sing, praises we bring.
Welcome to this house of God.

Welcome to this house,
Blessed by Word and Harmony.
Child of God, born from above.
Know that Christ is love.

Welcome to this house,
Filled with peace and charity.
Child of God, born from above.
Welcome to this house of God.

Announcements

Amie Friday

Call to Worship

Amie Friday

LEADER: Where Pride goes, O God, may beauty bloom forever. Where Pride goes, may unfair standards be eased.

ALL: Where Pride goes, may acceptance be the norm. Where Pride goes, may homophobia fall. Where Pride goes, may the welcome be warm. Where Pride goes, may name calling and taunting cease.

LEADER: Where Pride goes, may love burst forth.
Where Pride goes, may fear fade away.

ALL: Where Pride goes, may justice roll down and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Where Pride goes, may unjust policies be defeated. Where Pride goes, may injustice of every sort fall forever.

LEADER: Where Pride goes, may your kin-dom come and your will be done.

**ALL: Where Pride goes, O God, may your Church
follow.**

***Congregational Song**

Congregation

“We Are a Rainbow”

We are hope to still believe in tomorrow's better day,
We are peace in a world that's torn apart,
We are joy that will last in all the struggles that we face,
We are love that blooms and grows in every heart.

We are a rainbow, sign of covenant and peace,
For the flood of tears will finally cease to be,
Come shine your rainbow, splash your hues across the sky,
Paint the world in colors proud and bold and free.

When we face the storms of life, we will never be alone,
For our God will be with us on the way,
Hand in hand, side by side, we won't be frightened any
more,
As the mourning night of tears breaks into day.

We are a rainbow, sign of covenant and peace,
For the flood of tears will finally cease to be,
Come shine your rainbow, splash your hues across the sky,
Paint the world in colors proud and bold and free.
Paint the world in colors proud and bold and free.

Gathering Prayer

Amie Friday

**ALL: God of wild love and extravagant acceptance,
You are faithfully present in both the grit and
glitter of life, and you are present here now.
Awaken us to your dream for creation: A world
in which every member of the human family is
free to flourish however you have made them.
Forgive us for the moments we have held back
your ever-flowing current of love, dignity, and
justice. Remake us into a people eager to see
you in the faces and bodies of all people.
Remind each of us to step out of the shadows
of our lives and shine fearlessly and**

courageously. Holy One, You call each of us beloved. Each of us cherished. Each of us desired. Each of us sacred. And so, we give you thanks now and forever.

Amen.

Biblical Witness

Amie Friday

Romans 1:11-12

For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you— that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.

Contemporary Witness

Rev. Donna Renfro

By Anne Mason

O Maker of Order and Shaper of Beauty, we are grateful for the world in which we live.

Instill in us that sense of awe, that we may walk with humble hearts, open to the beauty of all that surrounds us.

O Source of Peace and Inspirer of Faith, in these troubled times we ask for internal strength and perseverance. Help us to know that we must never lose hope.

Help us to act in the world in ways that continue to lift up those who have fallen, to bind up the broken, and to uphold the dignity of the oppressed.

O Forgiver and Hider of Faults, accept us as we are. Help us to know that in the face of all that we fear, that we are enough. We can love, and we can be loved. Just as we are.

O Patient One, grant us peace in our minds, peace in our bodies, peace in our church, and peace in our world.

Reflection

Rev. Donna Renfro

“Pride Started as a Riot”

Special Music

Video

“Extravagant Love”

Me versus you.

Us versus them.

Looks like the only game in town

Be the winner or you'll lose

Somehow we all end up down

O God, we look for you

In the ashes of this mess

O God you offer us

Your tenderness

Extravagant mercy,

Extravagant grace

Extravagant love

in your embrace

Love that changes us, changes the game.

Love that changes ev'rything.

Love changes ev'rything.

Don't show weakness

Don't show our hands.

We make our moves. We play our parts.

Don't ask if this is all that there is

Lower our eyes and close our hearts.

O God, we look for you

In the ashes of this mess

O God you offer us

Your tenderness

Extravagant mercy,

Extravagant grace

Extravagant love

in your embrace

Love that changes us, changes the game.

Love that changes ev'rything.

Love changes ev'rything.

There is enough, there is enough,
There is enough to go around.

(repeat)

O God, we look for you
In the ashes of this mess
O God you offer us
Your tenderness

Extravagant mercy,
Extravagant grace
Extravagant love
in your embrace
Love that changes us, changes the game.
Love that changes ev'rything.
Love changes ev'rything.

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Donna Renfro

Invitation to Offering

Amie Friday

Rainbow Railroad

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

Amie Friday

ALL: Generous God, you give so freely of your love, mercy, and grace. Prompt us to share our blessings and gifts and respond to the cries of the world. Encourage us to give in hope – that the pain of those who face discrimination may be healed. May our offerings serve this holy purpose.

Amen.

***Congregational Song**

Congregation

Sing! #35 “No Matter”

No matter who, no matter what,
no matter where you are on the journey of life;

You're welcome, welcome in this place.

No matter who, no matter what,
no matter where you are on the journey of life:
Accepted, welcomed by God's grace.

For we are family, Meant to be purposed for eternity.
Born in love, from above,
God's community.

No matter who, no matter what,
no matter where you are on the journey of life;
You're welcome, welcome in this place.
No matter who, no matter what,
no matter where you are on the journey of life:
Accepted, welcomed by God's grace.

And in diversity
unity, harmony for all to see:
Justice and equity,
God's community.

No matter who, no matter what,
no matter where you are on the journey of life;
You're welcome, welcome in this place.

No matter who, no matter what,
no matter where you are on the journey of life:
Accepted, welcomed by God's grace.

Benediction

Rev. Donna Renfro

Song of Parting

Congregation

Sing! #76 "There Is Room For All"

There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing;
there is room for all,
sheltered in God's love.

And I rejoice and sing,

"My refuge and my rock, in whom I trust."

There is room for all,

here is room for all.

(x2)

Postlude

Marshall Davies

Today's Worship Participants

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