



Worship Service for January 30, 2022

Prelude	Marshall Davies
Chiming of the Hour	Marcy Schmich
Welcome	Pastor Mak
Centering Moment	Pastor Mak
Call to Worship	Marcy Schmich

LEADER: This month we mark a new beginning.

ALL: We set our minds and spirits on you, O God.

LEADER: We are the work of your hands, your spirit, and your love.

ALL: Help us to leave behind the failures and flaws of the past year.

LEADER: Loosen our grip on the past so that we can be free in your love.

ALL: You are God.

LEADER: We trust you to be our strength.

ALL: We worship you in spirit, in hope, and in love.

Kidz Korner

Pastor Mak

Hymn

Marshall Davies

Sing! # 7 “Welcome To This House”

Biblical Witness

Pastor Mak

Ecclesiastes 9:7 - 12

Go, eat your bread with enjoyment, and enjoy your drink with a merry heart; for God has long ago approved what you do. Let your garments always be white; do not let oil be lacking on your head. Enjoy life with the partner whom you love, all the days of your vain life that are given you under the sun, because that is your portion in life and in your toil at which you toil under the sun. Whatever your hand finds to do, do with your might; for there is no work or thought or knowledge or wisdom in Sheol, to which you are going.

Again I saw that under the sun the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, nor bread to the wise, nor riches to the intelligent, nor favor to the skillful; but time and chance happen to them all. For no one can anticipate the time of disaster. Like fish taken in a cruel net, and like birds caught

in a snare, so mortals are snared at a time of calamity, when it suddenly falls upon them.

Contemporary Witness

Marcy Schmich

“I Worried” by Mary Oliver

I worried a lot. Will the garden grow, will the rivers
flow in the right direction, will the earth turn
as it was taught, and if not how shall

I correct it?

Was I right, was I wrong, will I be forgiven,
can I do better?

Will I ever be able to sing, even the sparrows
can do it and I am, well,
hopeless.

Is my eyesight fading or am I just imagining it,
am I going to get rheumatism,
lockjaw, dementia?

Finally, I saw that worrying had come to nothing.

And gave it up. And took my old body
and went out into the morning,

and sang.

Reflection “Do It” Pastor Mak

Special Music “My Lighthouse” Plymouth Choir

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Mak

Unison Prayer Pastor Mak

Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother, holy and blessed is your true name. We pray for your reign of peace to come, we pray that your good will be done, let heaven and earth become one. Give us this day the bread we need, give it to those who have none. Let forgiveness flow like a river between us, from each one to each one. Lead us to holy innocence beyond the evil of our days – come swiftly Mother, Father, come. For yours is the power and the glory and the mercy. Forever your name is All in One.

Invitation to Offering Marcy Schmich

Offertory Music “Seekers of Light” Plymouth Choir

Doxology

Marshall Davies

Offertory Prayer

Marcy Schmich

LEADER: Holy One, you watch over our coming and our going.

ALL: Sometimes we live in chaos. Sometimes in calm.

LEADER: You walk with us always, in all circumstances.

ALL: As a church we desire to walk with others in all their circumstances.

LEADER: We bless this offering now as one way to do that.

ALL: May the time, talent, and treasure represented here be the first steps to sharing our abundant love.

Hymn

Marshall Davies

Sing! #187 "Lord Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary"

Benediction

Pastor Mak

Postlude

Marshall Davies