

***Normandy Park United Church of Christ***



***June 19, 2022***

***Bolded text is read and sung in unison***

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**WORDS OF GATHERING ~ *based on Psalm 42***

As a deer longs for flowing streams of water,  
Our souls reach out to seek our God.

**Where is our God?**

**In the cleansing of the rain,  
In the refreshing of a pool,  
In the predictability of a water faucet.**

With glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving,  
Our voices lift toward our God.

**Where is our God?**

**In the melody of voices raised in concert,  
In the stillness of silence,  
In the cacophony of spontaneous praise.**

As deep calls to deep,  
We come to worship the Living God.

**Where is our God?**

**In the echoes of our prayers,  
In the reverence of bowed heads,  
In the hope of raised faces.**

**The Holy One is with us.**

**SONG ~ *"Come, My People"***

# Come, My People

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Come, my peo - ple, wel - come to wor - ship. Love is in the warmth

— of this place. Sing to God a song — of thanks-giv - ing,

sing to God a song — of praise! 1. Gath - er in safe - ty, wel - comed in  
 2. Sto - ries of Je - sus show us the  
 3. Stand with each oth - er in one com -

Chris-tian love; God touch - es us with strength from a -  
 way to live, how to serve oth - ers, how to for -  
 - mu - ni - ty, work - ing to - geth - er God's reign to

- bove. see. Come, my peo - ple, wel - come to wor - ship.  
 - give.

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— of thanks-giv - ing, sing to God a song — of praise!

## **OPENING PRAYER**

## **CHOIR ANTHEM**

*"Prayer of St. Francis / Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"*

## **TEACHER RECOGNITION**

*~ Youth are invited to go to Sunday School ~*

## **PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION**

**Holy and Gracious God, fear seeks to be our constant companion.  
It stifles us with its overwhelming presence and prolific imagination.  
Fear surrounds us and blocks our vision and your path.  
Fear keeps us from picking up our cross  
As much as it suppresses our joy in you.  
Fear invites us to believe the easy lie rather than  
Confronting the hard truths necessary for your kin-dom to come.  
Too often, we cast off your perfect love in favor of insidious fear.  
Forgive us for choosing fear when we could have you, your presence,  
And your way as our companion on our journey.  
Empower us to reject fear  
And all that fall complicit in dampening your truth.**

## **WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

Romans 5:1b–2a reminds us that “We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand.” That grace promises the glory of transformation through the acknowledgement of need for it. New life awaits as “hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.” Receive grace, embrace transformation, and enter the newness of life in which Christ fashions our struggles into character and hope.

**SONG ~ “The Church of Christ, In Every Age”**

***The church of Christ, in every age  
Beset by change, but Spirit led,  
Must claim and test its heritage  
And keep on rising from the dead.***

***Across the world, across the street,  
The victims of injustice cry  
For shelter and for bread to eat,  
And never live before they die.***

***Then let the servant church arise,  
A caring church that longs to be  
A partner in Christ’s sacrifice,  
And clothed in Christ’s humanity.***

## **SHARING OUR SACRED STORY**

### ***Galatians 3:23-29***

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to the promise.

## **SERMON**

## SONG ~ "In Christ There Is No East or West"

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in Christ no South or North;  
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their high com - mu - nion find;  
 3 In Christ is nei - ther Jew nor Greek, and nei - ther slave nor free;  
 4 In Christ now meet both East and West, in Christ meet South and North;

But one com - mu - ni - ty of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
 God's ser - vice is the gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.  
 For men and wom - en live in God, and all are kin to me.  
 One joy - ous, true com - mu - ni - ty through - out the whole wide earth.

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

- Abbie H., Wenden and Bob's friend
- Amanda, Steve and Mark's friend
- Bill, Judy's friend
- The Buffalo, NY community
- Charlein, George, and Judi, Connie and Jeff's friends
- Debbie, Dawn's mother
- Donna and Bob, Debbie's mother and stepfather
- The Hildebrandt family
- Ida, Jason, and Phyllis, Nancy S.'s sister, nephew, and sister-in-law
- Jon C.
- Judy H., Nancy B.'s friend
- Kathy H., Joan's friend
- Kelly, C.B.'s sister
- Marilyn, Mack's friend
- Michael, Sue B.'s friend
- Paula, Nancy A.'s friend
- The Uvalde, TX community
- The Vaughan family
- Yoko S.

## PASTORAL PRAYER

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Creator (or Our Mother, or 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 sins,**

**As we forgive those who sin 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.**

**AMEN x5**

## **TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE**

### **OFFERTORY RESPONSE**

***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.***

### **BLESSING**

## SONG ~ "Let Love Go Forward"

The musical score is written in G major, 4/4 time, and consists of four staves. The first staff has a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (Bb), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (half). Chords above are F, F7, Bb, C. The second staff continues the melody: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (half). Chords above are F, C/E, Dm, Gm7, C7. The third staff continues: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (half). Chords above are F, F7, Bb, Am. The fourth staff concludes with: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), Bb4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (half). Chords above are Gm7, C7, F. The lyrics are: "Let Love go for-ward from this time and place. Shine its heal-ing light in a gen-tle embrace. Let Love go for - ward from this place and time. Let Love shine!"

## POSTLUDE

*Pastor: Rev. Amy Hitchens*  
*Ministers: Every One of Us*  
*Director of Music: Kevin Peterson*  
*Lay Leader: Stacie L.*  
*Flowers: Cathy B.*  
*Greeter: Barbara G.*  
*Sunday School Teachers: Cathy L. and Lynn Z.*  
*Coffee Hour: Cathy B. and Dorine S.*

**Special Sundays and guest preachers coming up this summer (subject to change):**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Preacher</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Theme</b>	<b>Notes</b>
June 26	Katrina Scarlett	Mary's Place	Pride Sunday	
July 3	Cinda Stenger	Church Council of Greater Seattle		
July 10	Rev. Amy Hitchens	NPUCC	Blue Theology	
July 24	Andrew Larsen	Global Ministries		Zoom only
July 31	Kris Van Gasken and Barb Shimizu	Des Moines Area Food Bank		
August 21	Rev. Amy Hitchens	NPUCC	Kevin Peterson celebration	
August 28	Kirsten Pangelinan	NPUCC	Jubilee Social Justice Program	

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