TODAY'S SERVICE

CULTIVATING CONNECTION WITH SELF, OTHERS, THE WIDE WORLD, AND GOD

FEEL FREE TO USE PRONOUNS OF YOUR CHOICE FOR ALL SONGS AND PRAYERS

Chimes

Gathering Statement

We gather today to connect with the Divine, with ourselves, with each other, and with the Oneness of all Creation. We gather because inclusive community built around shared stories and rituals inspires us to pursue justice and live out our values.

Call to Worship: Come Fall On Us (Psalm 50)

(Benoit Pasley Henry, Robin D Pasley) A thankful heart prepares the way for you my God A thankful heart prepares the way for you my God Come fall on us, we fall on you A thankful heart will be our rhythm Come fall on us, we fall on you A thankful heart will be our song

Sarum Prayer

God be in my head and in my understanding; God be in my eyes and in my looking; God be in my mouth and in my speaking; God be in my heart and in my thinking; God be at my end and at my departing

A Reading from Proverbs 22:

It is better to be respected than to be rich. A good name is worth more than silver or gold. The rich and the poor are the same. The Lord made them all. Wise people see trouble coming and get out of its way, but fools go straight to it and suffer for it. Respect the Lord and be humble. Then you will have wealth, honor, and true life. Teach children in a way that fits their needs, and even when they are old, they will not leave the path. Those who spread trouble will harvest trouble. Generous people will be blessed, because they share their food with the poor.

Teacher Appreciation Dismiss the Kids **Announcements**

Sermon **Candles**

We Remember: Breonna Taylor, Keenan Anderson, AJ Laguerre Jr., Jaheim McMillan, Aidan Ellison, James Williams, Pearl Young, Daoyou Feng, Riah Milton, Paul Castaway, Winston Smith, Elcias Hernandez-Ortiz, Elijah McClain, Aaron Salter, Anthony Alvarez, Duvall Princess,

Malcolm Harsch, Andrew Brown Jr., Suncha Kim, Amir

Locke

Prayer for Loved Ones: Brad and Desirae, Paula, Maggie, Ben, Erika and Sarah, Sarr and family, Gloria, Karen, Elizabeth, Yvonne, Steven, Diane, Christina, Sue, John, Marcia, Haevyn, Rhonda & family, Jim, Kurt, Mindy, Mike and Janine, Calob, Janie, Bishop Yvette Flunder, Bishop Bonnie Perry, Bishop Darrell Goodwin, Bishop Tim Wolfe, Leah, David, Hope Clinic, JFS, Ozone House, Ypsilanti Youth Choir

COMMUNION:

Call and Response

Leader: The Lord be with you! **People:** And also with you. Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Creator in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kin_dom come, your will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

and deliver us from evil.

For the kin_dom, the power, and the glory are yours. Now

and forever. Amen.

Shared Communion Meal: This is a gift Jesus gave us, a ritual to remember God's love through him, so we think of him every time we eat and drink Communion.

The Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you

Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you

The Lord turn His face toward you

And give you peace (2x)

Amen, amen, amen

Amen, amen, amen

Bridge

May His favor be upon you

And a thousand generations

And your family and your children

And their children, and their children (2x)

May His presence go before you

And behind you, and beside you

All around you, and within you

He is with you, he is with you

In the morning, in the evening

In your coming, and your going

In your weeping, and rejoicing He is for you, he is for you

He is, He is

Amen, amen, amen

Amen, amen, amen

Amen, amen, amen

Amen, amen, amen

See A Victory

The weapon may be formed, but it won't prosper

When the darkness falls, it won't prevail

'Cause the God I serve knows only how to triumph

My God will never fail

Oh, my God will never fail

[Chorus]

I'm gonna see a victory

I'm gonna see a victory

For the battle belongs to You, Lord (2x)

[Verse]

There's power in the mighty name of Jesus

Every war He wages He will win

I'm not backing down from any giant

'Cause I know how this story ends

Yes, I know how this story ends

[Chorus]

I'm gonna see a victory

I'm gonna see a victory

For the battle belongs to You, Lord (2x)

[Bridge]

You take what the enemy meant for evil

And You turn it for good

You turn it for good (3x)

[Chorus]

Benediction

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