



Greystone

Baptist Church

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 11, 2021

Prelude

"All Creatures of Our God and King"
Sandra Hunt

arr. Lloyd Larson

Welcome

April Alston

Sung Call to Worship

"I've Been Meaning to Ask..."
Christian McIvor

Words and Music by
Christian McIvor ©2021

How can I help? I'm here to listen and see
With your ears and eyes, to build beloved community.

I've been meaning to ask...
These questions leading to the cultivation
Of courageous conversation between me and you.
I've been meaning to ask...
Because I've got the curiosity
To seek out the luminosity between me and you.
Oh, I am because you are;
Oh, I am because we are.

Music

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" Words by Frederick William Faber;
GBC Adult Choir Dutch Melody arr. Julius Rön

There's a wideness in God's mercy,
like the wideness of the sea.
There's a kindness in God's justice,
which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heaven.
There is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgment given.

For the love of God is broader
than the measures of the mind.
And the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more faithful,
we would gladly trust God's Word,
and our lives reflect thanksgiving
for the goodness of our Lord.

Children's Message

April Alston

Prayers of the People

Joanne Thompson

Scripture Reading

Acts 10:1-17, 34-35

Heather Choplin

Sermon

"How Can I Help?"

Christian McIvor

Silent Reflection

Musical Reflection

"I Choose Love"
GBC Adult Choir

Words by Lindy Thompson
Music by Mark A. Miller

In the midst of pain, I choose love.
In the midst of pain, I choose love.
In the midst of pain, sorrow falling down like rain,
I await the sun again, I choose love.
I choose love.

In the midst of war, I choose peace.
In the midst of war, I choose peace.
In the midst of war, hate and anger keeping score,
I will seek the good once more, I choose peace.
I choose peace.

When my world falls down, I will rise.
When my world falls down, I will rise.
When my world falls down, explanations can't be found,
I will climb to holy ground, I will rise.
I will rise.

In the midst of pain, I choose love.
In the midst of pain, I choose love.
In the midst of pain, sorrow falling down like rain,
I await the sun again, I choose love.
I choose love.

A Time of Response

April Alston

Musical Response

"For Everyone Born"
GBC Adult Choir

Words by Shirley Erena Murray,
Music by Brian Mann

For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead,

Refrain:
and God will delight when we are creators
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators
of justice, justice and joy!

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For woman and man, a place at the table,
revising the roles, deciding the share,
with wisdom and grace, dividing the power,
for woman and man, a system that's fair,
(Refrain)

For young and for old, a place at the table,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
for young and for old, the right to belong,
(Refrain)

For everyone born, a place at the table,
to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, the right to be free,
(Refrain)

Doxology

"Doxology"
GBC Adult Choir

OLD HUNDREDTH;
Words by Thomas Ken,
Music from the *Genevan Psalter*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Celebrating Community

Steve Rose

Benediction

Christian McIvor

Postlude

"Jesus Loves Me"
Sandra Hunt

arr. Erinn Jarrell Schwartz

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