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Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

An Altar in the World: Encountering Others

If you are a guest, thank you for worshiping with us today. We invite you to take a moment to complete a visitor's card located in the back of the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it is passed.

We also invite you to sign your name in our guest book located in the back entrance of the sanctuary.

We pray God's blessing upon you.

For today's service, we will be using the black hymnal.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Wonder of Life

by Combs

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come to worship this day, to remember God's story and learn how we can be part of it.

P: In God's story there is compassion and healing power.

L: In Christ's presence none go hungry, but all find bread for body and soul.

P: Christ is, for us, the bread of life and he asks us to feed our neighbor.

L: Miracles of sharing are inspired by small gifts, spontaneously offered, without pretense or guile.

P: We want to experience the miracles of Christ, beginning in our own attitudes and actions.

L: Then let Jesus lead you to the Source of life and intercede for you before God.

P: With our sisters and brothers we seek God's blessing, in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

***OPENING HYMN NO. 575** (black hymnal)

O For a World

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

*TIME OF CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: Sovereign God, we confess before You that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have lied to ourselves and excused our actions. We are too busy taking care of ourselves and our families. We will have time later. We don't have enough resources to help ourselves and others. Someone else will do it. Forgive us for skirting our own responsibility, for making excuses, for not following Your commandments. Help us to come to You. Help us to end our excuses and instead to pick up the cross, put to death the things that are holding us back, and follow You. In Your name, the blessed name of Jesus, we pray.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT OF PRAISE¹ (see p. 3, sing two times):

The First Song of Isaiah

by White

ALL SING: Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.

(10:30 AM) **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

SCRIPTURE Matthew 25: 31-45

MESSAGE *Encountering Others*

HYMN NO. 583 (black hymnal)

Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC (sung by The Belles)

Simple Gifts/Palchebel's Canon

arr. Moore

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

OFFERTORY

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Open Our Eyes, Lord with Open My Eyes That I May See*

arr. Tornquist

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE NO. 560 (black hymnal, verses 1 & 3)

By Whatever Name We Call You

ALL SING: By whatever name we call you Fashioner of spheres, you are grander, so much wiser than our minds perceive. Labels limit understanding, God, you have no peers. So, we question-- changing, growing-- wanting to believe.

In whatever gifts we offer, All inclusive One, you accept your own creation, fragments we return. Not as owners but as stewards is our giving done. In true wonder we receive the love we cannot earn.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 584 (black hymnal)

I Am the Light of the World

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Canticle of the Sun

by Haugen

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

We welcome infants and children in our worship! For your comfort, we also have a children's corner in the back of the sanctuary where your child can relax and play and you can still participate in the worship experience. We also have nursery care downstairs during our 10:30 AM worship service. Please see a member of the welcoming team for assistance!

We offer a hearing assistance system called *Listen Technologies*. If you would like to use a receiver, please check with the volunteers at the sound booth at the rear of the sanctuary.

The bulletins are presented in celebration of Tamra Strine's graduation from residency at Memorial Hospital by Jeff Strine and family.

One vase of altar flowers has been placed in the honor and glory of God.

One vase of altar flowers is placed in honor of Drew Dallam's birthday on June 21st. Happy Birthday and Happy Father's Day from Danika, Holt and Hayden!

Thank you to The Belles for performing today's special music.

8 AM Worship Tech: Ryan Neal

8 AM Sound Tech: Jack Herlocker

8 AM Welcome Team: Austin & Logan Allison, Cindy & Rick Hogentogler

10:30 AM Worship Tech: Clyde Snyder

10:30 AM Video Tech: John Schriver

10:30 AM Welcome Team: Coordinated by Clyde Snyder

10:30 AM Nursery: Jess Crowell

10:30 AM WOW Kids: Kathy Sweeney & Ivy Leach

¹ *The First Song of Isaiah*, words from The Book of Common Prayer, Canticule 9 (Isa. 12: 2-6), music by Jack Noble White, ©1977 H.W. Grey Co. c/o Belwin-Mills Publishing Corp., admin. by Warner Brothers Publications, printed with permission under CCLI license #3220582.

*Those for whom it is comfortable, please rise.

O for a World

575

Miriam Therese Winter, 1987

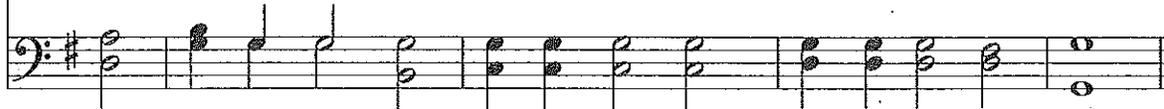
Acts 4:32-35; 1 Cor. 1:26-31; 1 Pet. 3:8-12



1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice
4 The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the fool - ish ones are wise.
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,



Where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
Where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
That o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.



Inspired by Charles Wesley's phrase "O for a thousand tongues" and the familiar tune Azmon, Miriam Therese Winter wrote this hymn envisioning a new world order for the Presbyterian Women's Triennial Conference in 1982. It was later recrafted and recorded by the Medical Mission Sisters.

Tune: AZMON C.M.
Carl G. Gläser, 1828

Adapt. Lowell Mason in Modern Psalmody, 1839

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2030 The First Song of Isaiah

Refrain

Sure - ly, it is God who saves me; I will
trust in him and not be a - fraid. For the
Lord is my strong-hold and my sure de - fense, and
he will be my Sav - ior.

Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us

583

Daniel Bechtel, 1986

Hos. 11:1-9; 2 Tim. 1:8-10

Unison

1 Like a moth - er who has borne us, held us
 2 Like a fa - ther who has taught us, grasped our
 3 Though as chil - dren we have wan - dered, placed our
 4 When we of - fer food and com - fort, grasp our

close in her de - light, Fed us free - ly from her
 hand and been our guide, Lift - ed us and healed our
 trust in power and might, Left be - hind our broth - ers,
 neigh - bor's hand in love, Tread the path of peace and

bod - y, God has called us in - to life.
 sor - rows, God has walked with us in life.
 sis - ters, God still calls us in - to life.
 jus - tice, God still walks with us in life.

This hymn was inspired by Hosea's depiction of the parental aspects of God's relationship with Israel. It was first sung at a chapel service at Dickinson College, where Daniel Bechtel, an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ, began his tenure as professor of religion in 1964.

Tune: AUSTIN 8.7.8.7.
 William P. Rowan, 1992
 Alternate tune: STUTTGART

I Am the Light of the World

John 8:12

Jim Strathdee, 1969; rev. 1981

In response to a Christmas poem by Howard Thurman

F Unison Introduction

Refrain

Bb C F

"I am the light of the world!"

Bb C F Gm Dm C

You peo-ple come and fol-low me!"

If you fol-low and love you'll

F Gm7 C Bb F Bb F *Last time, end*

learn the mys-ter-y of what you were meant to do and be.

F Bb/D C F

1 When the song of the an-gels is stilled, when the

2 7 To find the lost and lone-ly one, 7 to

3 7 To free the pris-oner from all chains, 7 to

4 To bring hope to ev-ery task you do, 7 to

I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD (CONTINUED)

Gm Dm C

star in the sky is gone, When the
 heal the bro - ken soul with love, 7 To
 make the pow - er - ful care, To re -
 dance at a ba - by's new birth, 7 To

F Bb C F

sag - es and the shep - herds have found their way home, the
 feed the hun - gry chil - dren with warmth and good food, To
 build the na - tions with strength of good will, to
 make mu - sic in . . . an old per - son's heart, and

Dm Bb Gm7 C Return to $\text{\textcircled{S}}$

work of Christ-mas is be - gun:
 feel the earth be - low, the sky a - bove!
 see all God's chil - dren ev - ery - where!
 sing to the col - ors of the earth!

This text is based on a Christmas poem by Howard Thurman, a prolific twentieth-century writer, theologian, and teacher. The song grew out of Jim Strathdee's music ministry at an intercultural, bilingual congregation in Los Angeles.

Tune: LIGHT OF THE WORLD Irr.
 Jim Strathdee, 1969