



Sunday,
August 2, 2020

Call to Worship

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One: We come here to draw water—

All: Thirsty for new life.

One: We come here to draw water—

**All: Bringing our past and our present,
our messy truths and our deepest scars.**



One: We come here to draw water—

All: Carrying shame, and in need of grace.

One: Fortunately for us, God always meets us
at the well. So breathe deeply and drink up.

**All: God is here. The water is clean.
Let us worship God.**



Kenyan traditional

Leader:

All:

Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,
of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort and joy. — joy.

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**All: Like the woman at the well,
we so often are unraveled by shame.
We carry shame for broken relationships.
We carry shame for being unable to balance
work and parenting,
tithing and bills,
productivity and Sabbath.**



**All: We get stuck in a comparison game
and in critical self-monologues,
consumed with the nagging feeling
that we should be able to do more.
Forgive us for forgetting
that we are made in your image.
Forgive us for forgetting
that you see us and love us as we are.**



**All: Unravel the shame that unravels us.
Gratefully we pray.**

Silent prayer



Assurance of Forgiveness



One: Hear the good news!
Hope does not disappoint us,
for God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit.

Assurance of Forgiveness *(continued)*



One: Believe this good news and give thanks:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven, freed,
and empowered to work for wholeness
in ourselves and the world around us.

All: Thanks be to God.

**All: In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God,
the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**



**All: We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves
and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.**



**All: The same Spirit who inspired
the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life
in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,**



**All: claims us in the waters of baptism,
 feeds us with the bread of life
 and the cup of salvation,
 and calls all kinds of people
 to all ministries of the Church.**



**All: In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples
to Christ as Lord and Savior,**



**All: to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others
 for justice, freedom, and peace.**



**All: In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch
for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**



**All: With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us
from the love of God
in Christ Jesus our Lord.**





Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*

One: It is the joy of our salvation,
God of the universe,
to give you thanks through Jesus Christ.
You said, "Let there be light"; there was light.
Your light shines on in our darkness.
For you the earth has brought forth life
in all its forms.
You have created us to hear your Word,
to do your will,
and to be fulfilled in your love.



One: You sent your Son

to be for us the way we need to follow
and the truth we need to know.

Through Christ we are released from our sin
and cleansed of our guilt.

Through the Holy Spirit
all people are called
to welcome the things you have done.



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*

One: Day by day you call us to be one people,
to be your people.

Day by day you call us to feed the hungry,
heal the sick, deliver the oppressed,
and to wait and watch for your kingdom.

You send your Holy Spirit
to strengthen and to guide,
to warn and to revive your Church.



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*

One: Therefore, with all your witnesses
who surround us on every side,
countless as heaven's stars,
we praise you for our creation and our calling,
with loving and with joyful hearts:

**All: Holy God, holy and merciful,
holy and just,
glory and goodness come from you.
Glory to you most high and gracious God.**



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*

One: Blessed are you, most holy, in your Son,
who washed the disciples' feet.

“I am among you,” Christ said,
“as one who serves.”

On that night before he died,
Jesus took bread,
and after giving thanks to God,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying:
Take, eat. This is my body, given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*

One: In the same way he took the cup, saying:
This cup is the new covenant
sealed in my blood,
shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this in remembrance of me.
Therefore with this bread and cup
we recall your goodness to us.





**All: God of the past and present,
we your people remember your Son.
We thank you for his cross
and rising again;
we take courage from his ascension;
we look for his coming in glory;
and in Christ we give ourselves to you.**

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*

One: Send your Holy Spirit,
that we who receive Christ's body
may indeed be the body of Christ,
and we who share his cup
draw strength from the one true vine.

**All: Called to follow Christ,
help us to reconcile and unite.
Called to suffer, give us hope in our calling.**



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*

One: For you, the heavenly one,
make all things new;
you are the beginning and the end,
the last and the first.

**All: Give us strength to serve you faithfully
until the promised day of resurrection,
when with the redeemed of all the ages
we will feast with you
at your table in glory.**



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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and

lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power

and the glory forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer



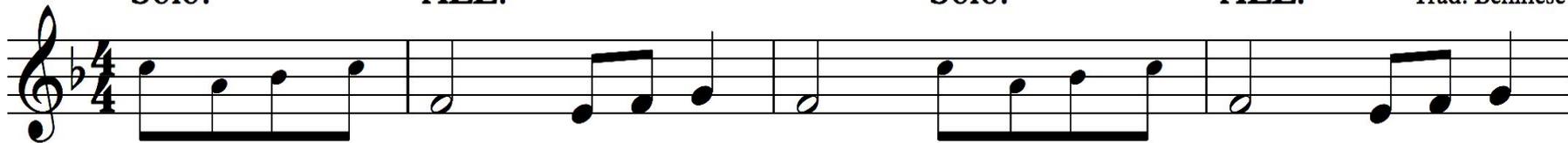
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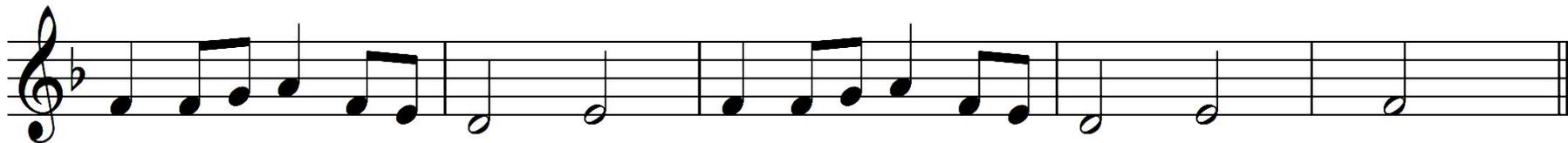
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ALL:

Trad. Beninese



1. Peace be with you, peace be__ with you. Peace be with you, peace be__ with
 2. Na - fi - jo - ho, ji - jo - ho ni tin. Na fi - jo - ho, ji - jo - ho ni
 3. Peace be with you, peace be__ with you. Peace be with you, peace be__ with



you, with all of__ us, A - men, with all of__ us, A - men!
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 you, with all of__ us, A - men, with all of__ us, A - men!

Peace be with You

