

Sunday, May 31, 2020

Call to Worship



One: When we gather with God,
proclaiming God's Word,

All: the Holy Spirit surrounds us.

One: When we cry for help or shout for joy,

All: the Holy Spirit surrounds us.

One: In the darkest cave and under the brightest sky,

All: the Holy Spirit surrounds us.

Call to Worship *(continued)*



One: In moments of fear
and in moments of celebration,

All: the Holy Spirit surrounds us.

One: In moments of destruction
there will be creation.

All: the Holy Spirit surrounds us.



Kenyan traditional

Leader: All:

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of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort and joy.— joy.

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**All: Gracious God,
our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide,
and too deep to undo.**

**Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us
a consuming fire of judgment.**



**All: Set us free from a past
that we cannot change;
open us to a future
in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace
to grow more and more
in your likeness and image;
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.**

Silence

Prayer of Confession *(continued)*



Assurance of Forgiveness



One: Listen, for the God who created us says,
"Do not be afraid,
for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name:
you are mine.

**All: Maker of all, we are your children,
the creatures of your kindness,
the bearers of your image.**

Assurance of Forgiveness *(continued)*



**All: This day,
 we will walk by your light,
 follow your Son,
 and live by your Spirit.**

Assurance of Forgiveness *(continued)*



**All: This day,
we will not offer to you
offerings that cost us nothing.
For this is the day that the Lord has made;
we will rejoice and be glad in it.
Amen.**



Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

One: O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

**All: Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number,
creatures both small and great.**



Psalm 104:24-34, 35b *(continued)*



One: There move the ships, and there is that
Leviathan, which you have made for the
sport of it.

All of them look to you to give them their food
in due season.

**All: You give it to them; they gather it;
you open your hand,
and they are filled with good things.**

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b *(continued)*

One: You hide your face, and they are terrified;
you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created;
and so you renew the face of the earth.

**All: May your glory, O Lord, endure forever;
may you rejoice in all your works.
You look at the earth and it trembles;
you touch the mountains and they smoke.**

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b *(continued)*

One: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will praise my God while I have my being.
May these words of mine please you;
I will rejoice in the Lord.

**All: Bless the Lord, O my soul.
Hallelujah!**



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,
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,
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:

Thanks be to you, O God,
for the power of your loving Spirit.
We worship you for your Spirit,
who forms life out of chaos and dust.
We bless you for your Spirit,
who ignites the words of the prophets.
We praise you for your Spirit,
who carries your people together in unity.



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*



One:

Glory be to you, O God,
for the comfort of your creative Spirit.
By your Spirit your Son preached and healed,
rebuked and forgave.
Dying on the cross for a wounded world,
he gave over his Spirit.
Risen from death,
he pours out your Spirit on all who believe.



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*



One:

On the night before he died,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks,
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*



One:

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you

and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*



One: On this bread and cup, come, Holy Spirit:

All: Come, Holy Spirit.

One: Manifest here the body and blood of Christ.

Come, Holy Spirit:

All: Come, Holy Spirit.

One: On this assembly, come, Holy Spirit:

All: Come, Holy Spirit.



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*



One: On this earth, its waters and lands and skies,
come, Holy Spirit:

All: Come, Holy Spirit.

One: On plants and animals, and even on the stars,
come, Holy Spirit:

All: Come, Holy Spirit.



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*



One:

We plead for your Spirit,
to cry aloud in us,
with us, and for us.

Breathe your life into our bones.

Anoint us for service with your oil of gladness.

Translate our speech into tongues of wisdom.



Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*



One:

Shower on us your gifts:

love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,
generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

Sanctify the whole earth with your truth.

Bring us at the end with all your needy children
into your homeland of mercy.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving *(continued)*



One:

Once more we praise and worship and bless you,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
God of supreme mercy and might,
God of the cross and the empty tomb,
God of the power of justice and peace,
now and forever.

All: Amen.

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



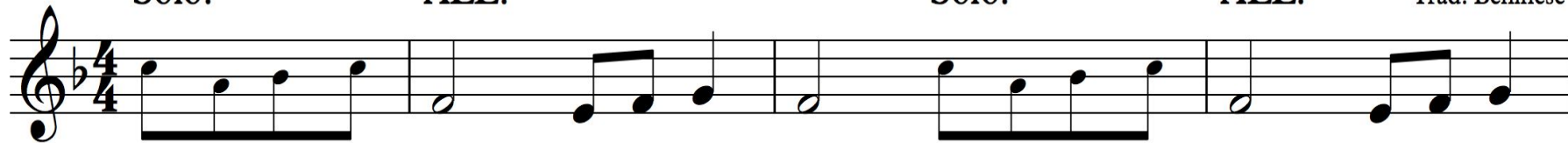
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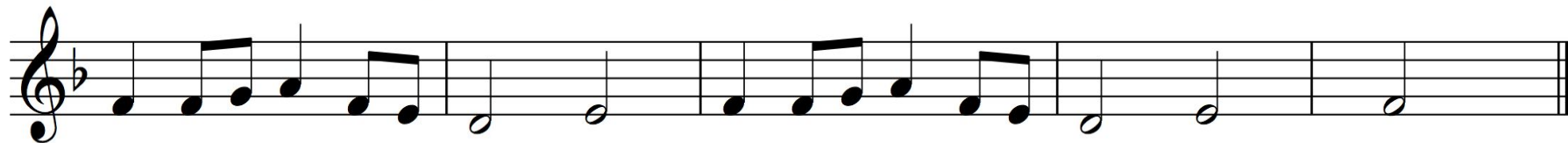
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1. Peace be with you, peace be__ with you. Peace be with you, peace be__ with
 2. Na - fi - jo - ho, ji - jo - ho ni tin. Na fi - jo - ho, ji - jo - ho ni
 3. Peace be with you, peace be__ with you. Peace be with you, peace be__ with



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

