

Call to Worship

Rev. Barth

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

God has gathered us here today, a day in which we bring our full selves— our simplicity, our complexity, our joy, our sadness, our vigilance, our apathy, our hopes, our fears. In the midst of our own stories, we gather here to be found in God's story— a God who welcomes all people, a God who loves all people without conditions, and beyond measure. So let us gather and let us worship. Amen.

Congregational Hymn

Lord of the Dance

I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth, at Bethlehem I had my birth.

Chorus

Dance, then, wherever you may be, I am the Lord of the Dance, said he, And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he

I danced for the scribe and the pharisee, but they would not dance, and they would not follow me. I danced for the fishermen, for James and John; they came to me, and the dance went on. (Chorus)

I danced on the Sabbath when I cured the lame; The holy people said it was a shame. They whipped and they stripped, and they hung me high, and they left me there on a Cross to die. (Chorus)

I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black; it's hard to dance with the devil on your back. They buried my body and they thought I'd gone, but I am the Dance, and I still go on. (Chorus)

They cut me down and I leapt up high; I am the life that'll never, never die; I'll live in you if you'll live in me - I am the Lord of the Dance, said he (Chorus)

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

Sermon

John 15:9-17
"Passion Fruit"

Rev. Cho
Rev. Bates

Musical Selection

Great Thanksgiving

Rev. Coffey

Blessed are you, Lord our God, Creator of all.

From the rising of the sun to its setting, your name is praised among all peoples. In the power of your Word and Holy Spirit, you created all things, blessed them, and called them good. You called us to be your people, but we did not answer. You were faithful, but we wandered from the way. Still, you called us to return, and led us home.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, who came and dwelt among us, as one of us, in Jesus Christ: bringing good news to the poor, healing the sick, raising the dead, sharing table with the unrighteous, and teaching the way that leads to life.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, who brings forth bread from the earth. The night before he died, Jesus broke bread and shared it with these words: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Blessed are you, Lord our God, who creates the fruit of the vine. Jesus shared the cup with these words: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me." Blessed are you, Lord our God, present with us as the Holy Spirit. We remember the story of your love for us with praise and thanksgiving!

Pour out your Holy Spirit on each of us and on these gifts. May they become the body and the blood of Christ, so we may become the love of Christ in this world.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, Father, Son, Holy Spirit; with you and with all your children past, present, and future, we give you praise now and forever. Amen.

Receiving of Elements

Benediction

Rev. Cousar