



Sunday Worship - July 4, 2021

Prelude - Jason McDougall

Welcome and Announcements

Unison Reading: Psalm 145:14

**The Lord supports all who fall down,
straightens up all who are bent low.**

For The Beauty of the Earth

1. For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies;

Refrain: Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

2. For the beauty of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light; **(Refrain)**

3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight; **(Refrain)**

4. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild; **(Refrain)**

Scripture: Romans 11:17-18

17 If some of the branches were broken off, and you were a wild olive branch, and you were grafted in among the other branches and shared the root that produces the rich oil of the olive tree, **18** then don't brag like you're better than the other branches. If you do brag, be careful: it's not you that sustains the root, but it's the root that sustains you.

Scripture: John 15:1-8

15 “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vineyard keeper. **2** He removes any of my branches that don’t produce fruit, and he trims any branch that produces fruit so that it will produce even more fruit. **3** You are already trimmed because of the word I have spoken to you. **4** Remain in me, and I will remain in you. A branch can’t produce fruit by itself, but must remain in the vine. Likewise, you can’t produce fruit unless you remain in me. **5** I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, then you will produce much fruit. Without me, you can’t do anything. **6** If you don’t remain in me, you will be like a branch that is thrown out and dries up. Those branches are gathered up, thrown into a fire, and burned. **7** If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. **8** My Father is glorified when you produce much fruit and in this way prove that you are my disciples.

Kid’s Message

Reclaiming: Grafted. Nourished. Remaining. Bearing Fruit. - Pastor Lesli McGowan

Love One Another

As I have loved you,
Love one another.
This new commandment:
Love one another.
By this shall men know
Ye are my disciples,
If ye have love
One to another.

Prayers of the People

Offering - go to simpsonumc.org/give to find out how you can give

Communion - The Great Thanksgiving Liturgy - full text available at
<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/book-of-worship/the-great-thanksgiving-for-the-season-after-pentecost-ordinary-time-or-kingdomtide>

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Father Almighty (almighty God), creator of heaven and earth.
You formed us in your image...

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
Your Spirit anointed him to preach good news to the poor,
to...

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever.

Amen.

I Could Sing of Your Love Forever

Verse

Over the mountains and the sea
Your river runs with love for me
And I will open up my heart
And let the Healer set me free
I'm happy to be in the truth
And I will daily lift my hands
For I will always sing
Of when Your love came down yeah

I could sing of Your love forever

Bridge

Oh I feel like dancing
It's foolishness I know
But when the world has seen the light
They will dance with joy like we're dancing
now

Chorus

I could sing of Your love forever
I could sing of Your love forever
I could sing of Your love forever