

Kindle Light

November 9, 2016

Silent Gathering (*please observe silence when entering the sanctuary*)

Opening Scripture: Psalm 146

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.

The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.

The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of the Lord;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;
he burns the shields with fire.

“Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth.”

The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Shared Silence

Music: “Nothing Can Trouble” *sung repeatedly as a prayer*

Berthier

**Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten
Those who seek God shall never go wanting.
Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten.
God alone fills us.**

Shared Silence

Responsive Scripture Reading: Psalm 85:8-13 (adapted) *Psalms for Praying* by Nan Merrill

One: Listen, O people, in the silent Chapel of your heart; and the Beloved will speak of peace to you, to the hidden saints, to all who turn their hearts to Love. Surely new life is at hand for those who reverence Love;

ALL: O, that harmony might dwell among the people.

Shared Silence

One: Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will embrace one another. Wisdom will spring up from the ground and truth will look down from the sky.

ALL: O, that harmony might dwell among the people.

Shared Silence

One: Yes, the Eternal Giver will grant what is good, and the lands will yield abundantly. Mercy and compassion are Love's way; You will guide our footsteps upon the path of peace as we recognize with open hearts that You are our peace.

ALL: O, that harmony might dwell among the people.

Shared Silence

Singing - "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" *sung repeatedly as a prayer* Medema

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Lord, send your Spirit in the place.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Silent Communion - in shared silence, Christ is revealed and received in our midst.

All are invited to come forward after receiving communion to light candles of prayer and petition.

Closing Song "We Are One In the Spirit" (*sung in unison*)

Peter Scholtes

We are one in the Spirit

We will walk with each other

We are one in the Lord

We will walk hand in hand

We are one in the Spirit

And together we'll spread the news

We are one in the Lord

That God is in our land

And we pray that all unity

May one day be restored

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REFRAIN: And they'll know we are Christians

We will work with each other

By our love, By our love

We will work side by side

Yes, they'll know we are Christians

We will work with each other

By our love

We will work side by side

And we'll guard each man's dignity

And save each man's pride

We will walk with each other

We will walk hand in hand

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Charge:

Go out into the world in peace. Have courage. Hold on to all that is good. Return no one evil for evil. Give voice to the voiceless; strengthen the weak; help those who are suffering. Honor all people. Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. (It's all that easy and it's all that hard.) But know that you have the love of God, the peace of Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit to sustain and guide you now and always...

go in peace