

Sunday, January 14th, 2024,
We Gather to Celebrate God's Presence

Welcome

Family Life and Work

Family Celebrations

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Acknowledging the Land

Introit: Do Lord

Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Do Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Look away beyond the blue.

I've got a home in glory land, that outshines the sun
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I took Jesus as my Saviour, you take Him too,
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Opening Hymn: We Shall Overcome

We shall overcome
We shall overcome
We shall overcome, someday

Oh, deep in my heart
I know that I do believe
We shall overcome, someday

We shall be alright
We shall be alright
We shall be alright, someday

Oh, deep in my heart
I know that I do believe
We shall overcome, someday

We shall live in peace
We shall live in peace
We shall live in peace, someday

Oh, deep in my heart
I know that I do believe
We shall overcome, someday

We are not afraid (oh Lord)
We are not afraid (oh Lord)
We are not afraid, today

Oh, deep in my heart
I know that I do believe
We shall overcome, someday

We shall overcome (oh Lord)
We shall overcome (oh Lord)
We shall overcome, someday

Oh, deep in my heart
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Call to Worship

We worship the God who inhabits our world and indwells our lives. We need not look up to find God, we need only look around:

within ourselves, beyond ourselves, into the eyes of another.

We need not listen for a distant thunder to find God,

we need only listen to the music of life, the words of children, the questions of the curious, the rhythm of a heartbeat.

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Prayer of Approach: (unison)

We turn to you in prayer, O God, as we seek the meaning of life. Sometimes our prayers are fervent, sometimes fleeting. We pray that you will awaken us to hear the cries of the poor, the homeless, the broken-hearted. Help us to find ways to clothe the naked and feed the hungry, release the prisoner. Open our hearts and minds to be willing vessels of your spirit. We ask this in the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who brought healing and wholeness to broken lives. And now, in His words, we say together,

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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 trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil
For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

We Listen

First Lesson : I Samuel 3 : 1 - 20

Children's Time: "I Have Been to the Mountaintop"

Second Lesson: John 1: 43-51

Sermon: "Your Servant Is Listening"

We Respond

Offertory

All that we have, all that we are
All that we hope to be
We give to You, we give to You.
We lift our voices, we lift our hands
We lift our lives up to You
We are an offering
Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands
Lord use our lives they are Yours

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn: Amazing Grace/Peaceful, Easy Feeling

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me,
I once was lost, but now I'm found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Cause I've got a peaceful, easy feeling,
And I know you won't let me down
'Cause I'm already standing on the ground.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

'Cause I've got a peaceful, easy feeling,
And I know you won't let me down
'Cause I'm already standing on the ground.

The Lord has promised good to me;
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

'Cause I've got a peaceful, easy feeling,
And I know you won't let me down
'Cause I'm already standing on the ground.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun.
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun.

'Cause I've got a peaceful, easy feeling,
And I know you won't let me down
'Cause I'm already standing on the ground.

Closing Hymn: Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Precious Lord, take my hand,
lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
through the storm, through the night,
lead me on to the light:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear,
precious Lord, linger near,

when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call,
hold my hand lest I fall:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When the darkness appears,
and the night draws near,
and the day is past and gone,
at the river I stand,
guide my feet, hold my hand:
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

Blessings and Sending Forth

Choral Benediction: A New Commandment

A new commandment I give unto you
That you love one another as I have loved you
That you love one another as I have loved you

By this shall all men know you are my disciples
If you have love one for another.

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