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Gathered together to worship God

February 25, 2018



"Peter" and "Abraham & Sarah" windows
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Here in this place

Hymnal #6
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1.

Here in this place, new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away.
See, in this space,
our fears and our dreamings,
brought here to you
in the light of this day.



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Gather us in the lost and forsaken,
gather us in the blind and the lame.
Call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our name.



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2.

We are the young – our lives are a mystery,
we are the old – who yearn for your face.
We have been sung
throughout all of history,
called to be light
to the whole human race.



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Gather us in the rich and the haughty,
gather us in the proud and the strong.
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.



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3.

Here we will take the wine and the water,
here we will take the bread of new birth.
Here you shall call
your sons & your daughters,
call us anew
to be salt for the earth.




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Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you.
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy
and hearts that are true.




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4.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away,
but here in this place,
the new light is shining;
now is the Kingdom,
now is the day.




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Gather us in and hold us forever,
gather us in and make us your own.
Gather us in all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.




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Call to Worship

Psalm 22:23-31
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I sing the mighty power of God

Hymnal #46
 words by Isaac Watts, 1715 alt.
 music from *Gesangbuch der Herzogl*, 1784



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1a.

I sing the mighty power of God,
 that made the mountains rise,
 that spread the flowing seas abroad
 and built the lofty skies.



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1b.

I sing the wisdom that ordained
 the sun to rule the day.
 The moon shines full
 at God's command
 and all the stars obey.



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2a.

I sing the goodness of the Lord,
 that filled the earth with food.
 God formed the creatures with a word,
 and then pronounced them good.



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2b.

Lord, how thy wonders are displayed,
 wherever I turn my eye,
 if I survey the ground I tread,
 or gaze upon the sky!



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3a.

There's not a plant or flower below,
but makes thy glories known,
and clouds arise, and tempests blow,
by order from thy throne.

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3b.

While all that borrows life from thee
is ever in thy care,
there's not a place where we can flee
but God is present there.

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Unison Prayer

Hymnal #692

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O God,
you rule the world from end to end
and for all time.
You alone are God.
In you alone we hope.

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Forgive our sins.
Heal our diseases.
Save our lives from destruction.

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We repent of our stubbornness and pride.
We desire to yield ourselves
more fully to your will.

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Keep us in your presence
that we might serve
and witness in the world,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
AMEN

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A Gospel Story

Mark 8:27-38

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Sharing a joy,
a concern,
a word of testimony
or praise

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Beneath the cross
of Jesus

Hymnal #250
words by Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1872
music by Frederick C. Maker, 1881

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1. Beneath the cross of Jesus
I fain would take my stand,
the shadow of a mighty rock
within a weary land,
a home within the wilderness,
a rest upon the way
from the burning of the noontide heat,
and the burden of the day.

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2. Upon that cross of Jesus
mine eyes at times can see
the very dying form of One
who suffered there for me.
And from my smitten heart with tears
two wonders I confess;
the wonders of redeeming love
and my unworthiness.

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3. I take, O cross, thy shadow
for mine abiding place.
I ask no other sunshine than
the sunshine of his face.
Content to let the world go by,
to know no gain nor loss;
my sinful self my only shame,
my glory all the cross.



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Prayers for Others

One:
Loving God, give us the faith
to counterbalance despair

All:
**and the love to outweigh
self-interest and neglect.**



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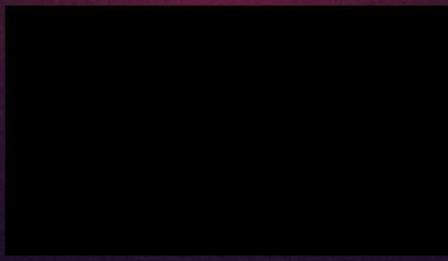


Returning our Tithes and Offerings



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A Beginning Story

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

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today's message:

"By another name"



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Lord, I want to be a Christian

Hymnal #444
an African-American spiritual



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1.
Lord, I want to be a Christian
in my heart, in my heart.
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart (in my heart),
in my heart (in my heart),
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.



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2.
Lord, I want to be more loving
in my heart, in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.
In my heart (in my heart),
in my heart (in my heart),
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.



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3.
Lord, I want to be more holy
in my heart, in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
In my heart (in my heart),
in my heart (in my heart),
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.



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4.
Lord, I want to be like Jesus
in my heart, in my heart.
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In my heart (in my heart),
in my heart (in my heart),
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.



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Affirming our Faith

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Leader:
 We affirm that the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Miriam, Hannah, and Mary is our God.




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People:
 We affirm that God has come to us in our likeness, taking the form of a servant in Jesus of Nazareth.




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Leader:
 We believe that God, in Christ, suffered the pain and agony of the cross to provide for our salvation.




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People:
 We believe that God demonstrated power over sin and death by raising Jesus from the dead and declaring that the risen Christ is Lord.




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Leader:
 God has given us new life and freedom in the fullness of the Holy Spirit, who is the guide and power of the community of believers.




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ALL:
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(Responsive)

Benediction

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One:
Go now with God,
on your journey through Lent.

All:
**We will discover the new name
given to each one we meet.**

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One:
Go now with Jesus,
walking wherever he leads.

All:
**We will put all our fears,
as well as our longings, behind us.**

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One:
Go now with the Spirit,
who is always full of surprises.

All:
**We will share
the good news called Jesus
with everyone.**

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Postlude

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