



Worship Service for March 26, 2023

Prelude Marshall Davies

Chiming of the Hour Aimee Broadhurst

Praise & Worship Celebration Congregation

Sing! #123 "Draw the Circle Wide"

Draw the circle wide.

Draw it wider still.

Let this be our song,

No one stands alone,

Standing side by side,

Draw the circle wide.

God the still-point of the circle,

'Round whom all creation turns;

Nothing lost, but held forever

In God's gracious arms.

Draw the circle wide.

Draw it wider still.

Let this be our song,
No one stands alone,
Standing side by side,
Draw the circle wide.

Let our hearts touch far horizons,
So encompass great and small;
Let our loving know no borders,
Faithful to God's call.

Draw the circle wide.

Draw it wider still.

Let this be our song,
No one stands alone,
Standing side by side,
Draw the circle wide.

Let the dreams we dream be larger,
Than we've ever dreamed before;
Let the dream of Christ be in us,
Open every door.

Draw the circle wide.

Draw it wider still.

Let this be our song,

No one stands alone,

Standing side by side,

Draw the circle wide.

Welcome & Announcements

Aimee Broadhurst

Centering Moment

Rev. Felix Carrión

Call to Worship

Aimee Broadhurst

LEADER: We rejoice in the Divine as we make our way
through this Lenten Journey.

**ALL: In the wilderness our hunger is filled by Holy
Hope.**

LEADER: In the desert our thirst is quenched from the
stream of God's Presence.

**ALL: On the road to Jerusalem our weariness is
transformed into strength by Grace.**

LEADER: We each walk our own journey as led by the Spirit.

**ALL: We all walk together as the Body of Christ in
the world.**

***Hymn**

Congregation

TNCH #436 "God of Grace & God of Glory" v1&2

God of grace and God of glory,
On your people pour your power;
Crown your ancient church's story;
Bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.

From the evils that surround us
And assail the Savior's ways,
From the fears that long have bound us
Free our hearts for faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
For the living of these days,
For the living of these days.

Biblical Witness

Rev. Felix Carrión

John 15:12-17

This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Contemporary Witness

Aimee Broadhurst

"My dear,
a better question for Hafiz
Would have been,
'How does it feel to be a heart?'
for all I know is Love,
And I find my heart Infinite

And Everywhere"

- Hafiz, Sufic Mystic & Poet

Sermon

Rev. Felix Carrión

"We Journey Together"

Special Music

Plymouth Choir

"A Heartsong Blessing"

Let our breath be gentle wind.

Let our ears be of those who listen.

Let our hearts be love songs for the earth.

Let all our spirits serve, bringing hope and peace to all the world.

Let our minds be filled with hope.

Let our hands reach out in kindness.

Let our eyes, with interest and respect, seek health and happiness,

Let our souls be filled with wonder.

Let us join our hands in this moment.

We are one in heart and voice.

Let us touch the future together.

As we pray and play, as we live each day,

We can change the world with love,

We can change the world with love.

Love!

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Felix Carrión

Invitation to Offering

Aimee Broadhurst

Plymouth's General Fund &

"One Great Hour Of Sharing (UCC)" - Loose Offering

Offertory Music

Marshall Davies

Doxology

Congregation

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God for all that Love has done

Creator, Christ, and Spirit one Amen.

Offertory Prayer

Aimee Broadhurst

LEADER: God of the journey, we give these offerings in

gratitude,

ALL: rejoicing in the abundance of your gifts to us.

LEADER: We give these offerings in faith,

ALL: trusting that you will provide for our needs.

LEADER: We give these offerings in hope,

**ALL: knowing you can use them to spread your love
in this world.**

LEADER: And with these offerings, we give ourselves;

**ALL: may we live with generous hearts, with open
hands. Amen.**

***Hymn**

Congregation

Sing! # 187 "Lord Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary"

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary

Pure and holy, tried and true

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living

Sanctuary for You.

God, empower me to be a witness for you,

Acting boldly, in your name;

Seeking justice, where there is hurting

Offering hope where there is pain.

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary

Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for You.

Benediction

Rev. Felix Carrión

Song Of Parting

Marshall Davies

Sing! #201 "Deep Peace" VS 1

Peace, peace, deep peace,

My peace I give to you.

Peace, peace, deep peace,

My peace I give to you.

Not as the world gives,

I give to you,

Not as the world gives,

I give to you.

Peace, peace, deep peace,

My peace I give to you.

Postlude

Marshall Davies

Today's Worship Participants

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