



Worship Service for August 27, 2023

Prelude	Marshall Davies
Chiming of the Hour	Paula McKnight
Welcome	Pastor Felix Carrión
Centering Moment	Pastor Felix Carrión
*Praise & Worship Songs	Congregation

“By the Stream”

Blessed are those who trust in God.

They will be like a tree planted by the water,
planted by the water and sending out its roots by the stream.

Blessed are those who trust in God.

They will be like a tree planted by the water,
planted by the water and sending out its roots by the stream.

They will not fear when the heat comes and their leaves will
all stay green in the year of the longest drought. They will
still bear their fruit there by the stream, by the stream.

Blessed are those who trust in God.

They will be like a tree planted by the water,
planted by the water and sending out its roots by the stream,
by the stream.

Announcements

Paula McKnight

Call to Worship

Paula McKnight

LEADER: Holy One, show me the suffering of the people
so I will know their plight.

**ALL: Free me to pray for others for you are present
in every person.**

LEADER: Help us to take responsibility for our own lives
so that we can be free at last.

**ALL: Grant me courage to serve others for in service
there is true life.**

***Praise & Worship Song**

Congregation

Sing! #19 "Santo Espiritu (Holy Spirit)"

San - to'Es - pí - ri - tu,
Ile - ga'a'es - te lu- gar;
Santo Espíritu,
Ilé-na-nos de paz;

Santo Espíritu,
de-rra-ma tu'un - ción;
Santo Espíritu,
de-cien-dé a - qui.

Santo Espíritu, ven res-táu-ra-nos;
Santo Espíritu, ven le-ván-ta nos;
Santo Espíritu, trae tu ben-di-ción;
Santo Espíritu, deciendé aqui;
Santo Espíritu, deciendé aqui.

Ho-ly Spi-rit, come and be with us;
Holy Spirit, fill us with your peace;
Holy Spirit, pour on us your grace;
Holy Spirit, be with us, we pray.

Holy Spirit, come restore us;
Holy Spirit, come and lift us;
Holy Spirit, send your bless-ing on us;
Holy Spirit, be with us, we pray;
Holy Spirit, be with us, we pray.

Gathering Prayer

Paula McKnight

**ALL: Holy God, we come before you with awe,
for your love and power fill all dimensions of
life. Some of us come with reluctance and
some with joy; some with sadness and others
with fear. Yet, we know you receive us as we**

are. Stay with us as we worship and as we share the challenge of living our faith. By your powerful Spirit turn our fear to courage. Touch us, Holy One, with your healing light and warmth. Speak to us words of life. We offer our thanksgiving and praise to you. In your name we pray. Amen.

Biblical Witness

Pastor Felix

John 15:4 & 5, 10 & 11

Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

Contemporary Witness

Paula McKnight

Self-Care: Basic Definition

Self-care has been defined as the process of establishing behaviors to ensure holistic well-being of oneself, to promote health, and actively manage illness when it occurs. Individuals engage in some form of self-care daily with food choices, exercise, sleep, reading and dental care. Self-care is not only a solo activity as the community—a group that supports the person performing self-care—overall plays a large role in access to, implementation of, and success of self-care activities.

Reflection

“Always Abide In Self-Care”

Special Music

“The Potter’s Hand”

Wonderful God awesome creator I know for sure
all of my days are held in your hand,
crafted into your perfect plan.

You gently call me into your presence,
guiding me by your Holy Spirit.

Teach me, dear God, to live all of my life through your eyes.
I'm captured by your Holy calling.

Set me apart, I know you're drawing me to yourself.
Lead me, God I pray.

Take me, mold me, use me, fill me.

I give my life to the Potter's hand.

Call me, guide me, lead me, walk beside me.

I give my life to the Potter's hand, the Potter's hand.

You gently call me and guide me by your Holy Spirit.

Teach me, dear God, to live all of my life through your eyes.

I'm captured by your Holy calling.

Set me apart, I know you're drawing me to yourself.

Lead me, God, I pray, I pray.

Take me, mold me, use me, fill me.

I give my life to the Potter's hand.

Call me, guide me, lead me, walk beside me.

I give my life to the Potter's hand,

The Potter's hand, The Potter's hand.

Pastoral Prayer with Joys & Concerns

Pastor Felix Carrión

Invitation to Offering

Paula McKnight

National Alliance On Mental Illness (NAMI)

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

Paula McKnight

ALL: Loving One, all good gifts around us come from you. You have given us life, and new life in Jesus. As you have given us gifts, so we offer our gifts that we may be gifts to one another. Amen.

***Praise & Worship Song**

TNCH #463, "I Look to You in Every Need" vs. 1 & 2

I look to you in every need,

and never look in vain;
I feel your strong and tender love,
and all is well again:
The thought of you is mightier far
than fear and pain and sorrow are.

Enfolded deep in your dear love,
held in your care, I stand;
Your hand in all things I behold,
and all things in your hand;
You lead me in surprising ways,
and turn my mourning into praise.

Benediction

Pastor Felix Carrión

***Song of Parting**

Congregation

TNCH #479 "God Is My Shepherd" vs. 1

God is my shepherd, I'll not want,
I feed in pastures green.
God grants me rest and bids me drink
from waters calm and clean.
Through daily tasks, I'm blessed and led
by One I have not seen;
Through daily tasks, I'm blessed and led

Postlude

Marshall Davies

Today's Worship Participants

Worship Leader: Paula McKnight

Sound: Lynette Lange

Video: Mark Vines

Projector: Amie & Shelby-Mak Friday

Pastor Felix Carrión

Designated Pastor

Plymouth United Church (UCC)

5927 Louetta Road, Spring, Texas 77379

pastor@plymouthunited.org

Moderator: Aimee Broadhurst

281-414-5487

moderator@plymouthunited.org

Interim Office Manager: Amie Friday

281-251-8147

officemanager@plymouthunited.org

Music Director: Dr. Marshall Davies
musicdirector@plymouthunited.org