



## **Worship Service for January 28, 2024**

<b>Prelude</b>	Marshall Davies
<b>Chiming of the Hour</b>	Paula McKnight
<b>Welcome</b>	Pastor Felix Carrión
<b>Centering Moment</b>	Pastor Felix Carrión
<b>*Praise &amp; Worship Songs</b>	Congregation

“Your Light Has Come”

Lift your head,

Raise your eyes,

Look around.

Your light has come.

Your light has come.

Light the world,

Heal the earth,

Bear the Christ.

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**Announcements**

Paula McKnight

**Call to Worship**

Paula McKnight

LEADER: Light of God, illumine the path that leads  
us to peace and wholeness.

**ALL: Divine Light, fill this sacred sanctuary with  
your liberating truth.**

LEADER: Light of God, illumine the way of wonder  
and awe.

**ALL: Divine Light, dispel the darkness in our world and bring us to a new understanding of the spiritual unity of all people and all creation.**

**\*Hymn**

Congregation

TNCH #282 "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

Every time I feel the spirit  
moving in my heart, I will pray.  
Yes, every time I feel the spirit  
moving in my heart I will pray.

Upon the mountain my God spoke,  
out of God's mouth came fire and smoke.  
Looked all around me; looked so fine;  
I asked my God if all were mine.

Every time I feel the spirit  
moving in my heart, I will pray.  
Yes, every time I feel the spirit

moving in my heart I will pray.

Oh, Jordan river, chill and cold,

it chills the body, not the soul.

There's only one train on this track;

it runs to Plymouth and right back.

Every time I feel the spirit

moving in my heart, I will pray.

Yes, every time I feel the spirit

moving in my heart I will pray.

## **Gathering Prayer**

Paula McKnight

**ALL: O God, we give thanks for your unfailing faithfulness. We celebrate that the mystery of our life is wrapped in divine love that has no end. We are in awe when we ponder the order and constancy of nature; the beauty and bounty of the earth; the light of day and the darkness of night; and the varied gifts of**

**the seasons. We gather in your love to be one spiritual family walking together in faith.**

**Amen.**

**Biblical Witness**

Pastor Felix

Psalm 133

How very good and pleasant it is  
when kindred live together in unity!  
It is like the precious oil on the head,  
running down upon the beard,  
on the beard of Aaron,  
running down over the collar of his robes.  
It is like the dew of Hermon,  
which falls on the mountains of Zion.  
For there the Lord ordained his blessing,  
life for evermore.

**Contemporary Witness**

Paula McKnight

Unity of the Heart:  
Transforming Consciousness to an Enlightened  
Humanity  
by Peter N. Borys, Jr.

The heart consciousness is the center of human consciousness. It is our peaceful and dynamic center where we become whole as the true self in Divine unity. The true self in unity with God always emanates from the interior of the heart. Therefore, it is through the heart center that we experience, know, and act through love and creativity.

**Reflection**

Pastor Felix

“In Unity”

**Special Music**

Mark Vines (Video)

“Open Heart, Open Doors”

In this sacred place of worship we gather once again to renew our faith and praise the God we love.

So to share His grace with others, we welcome all who enter  
by these doors, and we pledge today as one:

Open hearts, open doors;

all are welcome here to seek and find the Lord.

Open hearts and open doors;

ev'ryone is welcome here to seek and find the Lord.

In Christ there is no east or west,

in him no south or north,

but one great fellowship of love

throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere

their high communion find;

His service is the golden cord

close binding humankind.

With open hearts and open doors,

ev'ryone is welcome here to seek and find the Lord.

All are welcome here to seek and find the Lord.

## **Pastoral Prayer with Joys & Concerns**

Pastor Felix Carrión

## **Invitation to Offering**

Paula McKnight

Back Bay Mission

## **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: Holy One, accept and bless our offerings this day. Grant that we might live generously, as we serve to be a blessing to our world. May we be faithful in all things.  
Amen.**

## \*Congregational Song

Congregation

“You Are the Light”

You are the light that brightens up the world;  
You are the salt that makes life good to taste.  
You are the city standing on the hill,  
Lighting the path for pilgrims on the way.

You are the hope for everyone to see,  
Shining like stars that light the sky at night.  
Come, be the light that you were born to be.  
You are the light.

[Bridge]: Two thousand years ago, some called him Son of God;

Some called him heretic; some called him just a fraud.

I call him my beloved; the one who leads the way.

And after all the years I still can hear him say...

You are the light that brightens up the world;

You are the salt that makes life good to taste.

You are the city standing on the hill,

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You are the hope for everyone to see,

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Come, be the light that you were born to be.

You are the light.

**Benediction**

Pastor Felix Carrión

**\*Song of Parting**

Congregation

Sing! #205 "Dance Into Joy" vs. 1

So dance into joy with hands upraised.

Greet each new day as the holiest of days,  
and to your God sing great songs of praise,  
To your God sing praise!

Share from your path some strand of light  
Bring all the shades both dark and light,  
Weaving together makes us all one.  
Stories of hope have just begun.

So dance into joy with hands upraised.  
Greet each new day as the holiest of days,  
and to your God sing great songs of praise,  
To your God sing praise!

**Postlude**

Marshall Davies

### **Today's Worship Participants**

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