



Worship Service for June 19, 2022

Prelude

Marshall Davies

Chiming of the Hour

Marcy Schmich

Praise & Worship Celebration

Congregation

Sing! #7 "Welcome To This House"

Welcome to this house,
Open and affirming.
In God's Son we are all one.
Hand in hand we stand.
Welcome to this house,
Caring and accepting.
In God's Son we are all one.
Welcome to this house of God.

Welcome to this house,
There is room for everyone.
All will sing, praises we bring
Let us all be one.
Welcome to this house,
Where God gives the call to serve.
All will sing, praises we bring.
Welcome to this house of God.

Welcome to this house,
Blessed by Word and Harmony.
Child of God, born from above.

Know that Christ is love.
Welcome to this house,
Filled with peace and charity.
Child of God, born from above.
Welcome to this house of God.

Welcome

Jeff Mechler

Centering Moment

Rev. Vicki

Call to Worship

Marcy Schmich

LEADER: This month we celebrate the diversity of families.

ALL: We thank you God, that you have created us differently.

LEADER: We find unity together as a diverse family of faith.

ALL: All love comes from God because God is love.

LEADER: This month we celebrate the diversity of gender identities and expressions.

ALL: We thank you God, that you have created us differently.

LEADER: The expansive nature of your creation is a gift and a marvel.

ALL: It is beyond our understanding, and a delight to experience.

LEADER: We rejoice in the kaleidoscope adventure of life.

ALL: We praise you, for we are all wonderfully made.

Hymn

Congregation

TNCH # 32 "God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale"

God of the sparrow God of the whale

God of the swirling stars

How does the creature say Awe

How does the creature say Praise (1)

God of the neighbor God of the foe

God of the pruning hook

How does the creature say Love

How does the creature say Peace (5)

God of the ages God near at hand

God of the loving heart

How do your children say Joy

How do your children say Home (6)

Biblical Witness

Marcy Schmich

Luke 7:36-50 (The Inclusive New Testament)

One of the Pharisees invited Jesus to dinner. Jesus went to his house and reclined at the table. A woman who had a low reputation in that town came to the house. She had learned that Jesus was dining with the Pharisee, so she brought with her an alabaster jar of perfumed oil. She stood behind Jesus, crying, and her tears fell on his feet. Then she dried

his feet with her hair, kissed them, and anointed them with the oil.

When the Pharisee saw this, he said to himself, “If this fellow were the Prophet, he’d know who this woman is that is touching him, and what a low reputation she has.” In answer to the Pharisee’s thoughts Jesus said, “Simon, I have something to tell you.” “Tell me, Teacher,” he said. “Two people owed money to a creditor. One owed the creditor the equivalent of two years’ wages; the other, two months’ wages. Both were unable to pay, so the creditor wrote off both debts. Which of them was more grateful to the moneylender?”

Simon answered, “I suppose the one who owed more.” Jesus said, “You are right.”

Turning to the woman, he said to Simon, “See this woman? I came into your house, and you gave me no water to wash my feet, but she has washed them with her tears and dried them with her hair. You gave me no kiss of greeting, but she covered my feet with kisses. You didn’t anoint my head with oil, but she anointed my feet with oil. For this reason, I tell you, her sins, which are many, have been forgiven — see how much she loves! But the one who is forgiven little, loves little.”

Then Jesus said to the woman, “Your sins are forgiven.”

Those also sitting at the table began to ask among themselves, “Who is this who even forgives sins?”

Meanwhile Jesus said to her, “Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.”

quote by Audre Lorde

"It is not our differences that divide us. It is our inability to recognize, accept, and celebrate those differences."

"Whatever power we have that we don't use will become an instrument against us, the question of differences is a perfect example. If we do not learn to use our differences constructively, they will continue to be used against us as causes for war. We must turn this around, not be eliminating difference or pretending it doesn't exist, but by examining how it may be used and recognized."

Reflection

Rev. Vicki

"Stonewall, When you just can't take any more..."

Special Music

Plymouth Choir

"You Are Wonderfully Made"

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Vicki

Unison Prayer

Congregation

**Holy One Of Blessing, eternally we co-create ourselves
in your love.**

All companionship orientations;

All gender identities and expressions;

All ways of having family.

**We celebrate this Pride month for LGBTQ+ peoples
everywhere**

Knowing that many are still not safe to come out;

To be free;

To live life abundantly.

Heal all who are ill in body, mind, heart or spirit.

Bind up all wounds and provide adequate care.

Extinguish any stigma people are enduring.

This month, we celebrate because everyone should be celebrated.

We are your body on earth.

May our love and hope be sent on the wings of this prayer

To all who need refreshing, affirmation, and love's embrace.

May it be so.

Invitation to Offering

Marcy Schmich

Plymouth's General Fund &
"Rainbow Railroad" - 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

Marcy Schmich

LEADER: We are all one human family.

ALL: In your love you created us.

LEADER: Through your grace you reach out to us.

ALL: You are great enough to hold us all in your arms at the same time.

LEADER: Help us to open our hearts to the world that you love.

ALL: Teach us to weave our lives together.

LEADER: We yield to Spirit, offering what we have to the greater good.

ALL: In this way, each day, we begin again in love.

Hymn

Congregation

TNCH # 398 "Shadow & Substance"

Shadow and substance, wonder and mystery,
 Spell-binding spinner of atoms and earth;
 Soul of the cosmos, person and energy,
 Source of our being: we sing of your worth. (1)

We are your image, formed in community;
 Sisters and brothers of Adam and Eve.
 You gave us color, custom and history;
 Teach us to honor what others receive. (2)

Naming the nameless Spirit of unity,
 Scanning the heavens for signs of your care;
 God of the ages, give us humility;

Guide us to mystical union in prayer. (3)

Benediction

Rev. Vicki

Song Of Parting

Congregation

TFWS # 2279 "Trees of the Field"

You shall go out with joy
And be led forth with peace;
The mountains and the hills
Will break forth before you.
There'll be shouts of joy
And all the trees of the field
Will clap, will clap their hands.

And all the trees of the field
Will clap their hands;
The trees of the field
Will clap their hands;
The trees of the field
Will clap their hands
While you go out with joy.

You shall go out with joy
And be led forth with peace;
The mountains and the hills
Will break forth before you.
There'll be shouts of joy
And all the trees of the field

Will clap, will clap their hands.

And all the trees of the field

Will clap their hands;

The trees of the field

Will clap their hands;

The trees of the field

Will clap their hands

While you go out with joy.

Postlude

Marshall Davies