



## **Worship Service for July 16, 2023**

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

**“As We Gather Draw Us Near”**

As the seagull boldly soaring  
Sings a song in wordless flight,  
As a mother rocks her baby  
Humming hope’s sweet lullaby,  
As the stones cry out, “Hosanna,”  
As the rising of the tide,  
May our hearts find natural rhythm,  
Singing praises with our lives.

As the redwoods reach for heaven,  
We extend ourselves to You.

As the strings stretch on the fretboard,  
Let us pull ourselves in tune.  
As a child draws her family,  
Favorite crayon in chubby hand,  
Each encounter of Your glory  
A new way to understand.

As we gather, draw us nearer,  
In our hunger, find Your feast.  
Deepest longings now are sated  
By Your presence and Your peace.  
In the wideness of Your mercy,  
May we find ourselves at home.  
Warmly welcomed at Your table  
Where we never eat alone.

**Announcements**

Aimee Broadhurst

**Call to Worship**

Aimee Broadhurst

LEADER: Today we gather as spiritual seekers, trusting  
that our quest is not in vain and will lead to a deeper  
fulfillment and new light.

**ALL: Here we commune with one another in Spirit  
and in truth, as we partake of divine life.**

LEADER: Here we journey and join together in love.

Here we are joyful together.

**ALL: As we rejoice together, we serve the true aims  
of love.**

**\*Praise & Worship Song**

Congregation

Sing! #5 "Here in this Place"

Holy one may your presence here  
open our minds  
May your Spirit among us  
Help us to find your  
rising now like a fountain of grace  
From the holy ground.

Here in this place  
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## **Gathering Prayer**

Aimee Broadhurst

**ALL: Gracious One, gentle in your power, you have brought us forth from your very own Being and breathed into us the breath of life. We live in the liberating presence of your Spirit and with Jesus' love poured into our hearts. Guide our search and steps. Guide our service to you and to one another. Rejoicing together, we give you thanks and praise. Amen.**

## **Biblical Witness**

Aimee Broadhurst

Matthew 17:1-5

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah,

talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, ‘it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.’

## **Contemporary Witness**

Pastor Felix

The Untethered Soul: The Journey Beyond Yourself

by Michael A. Singer

People see you and they remark that you look like a bundle of light. Where did all this energy come from? What you’ll see, if you watch carefully, is that you have a phenomenal amount of energy inside of you. It doesn’t come from food and it doesn’t come from sleep. This energy is always available to you. At any moment you can draw upon it. It just wells up and fills you from inside. When it is flowing strongly, you can actually feel it coursing through you in waves. It gushes up spontaneously from deep inside and restores, replenishes, and recharges you.

## **Reflection**

“Divine Energy Welling Up”

## **Special Music**

## “Be Thou My Vision”

Be Thou my vision, O God of my heart.  
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art.  
Thou my best thought, (Thou my best thought,)  
Thou my best thought, (Thou my best thought,)  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light,  
(You shine in the night,) Thy presence my light.  
You shine in the night!

Riches I need not, nor man's empty praise.  
Thou my inheritance, now and always.  
Thou and Thou only, the first in my heart,  
(Thou and Thou only, my treasure Thou art.)  
Thou and Thou only, the first in my heart,  
Blessed Sustainer, my treasure Thou art.

High love of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, (still be my light,)

and You will still be my vision, (shine in the night).

be thou my vision, O comfort of all.

Be Thou my light, when I walk through the night.

**Pastoral Prayer**

Pastor Felix Carrión

**Invitation to Offering**

Aimee Broadhurst

SOME - So Others May Eat

**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

**ALL: Holy One, we give you thanks and praise for the abundant gifts you bestow on us each day. We offer now our gifts and ask your blessing upon them. May they empower our congregation and community. May they serve love's purposes in our world. Amen.**

## **\*Praise & Worship Song**

TNCH # 469 "O Grant Us Light"  
vs. 1, 2, & 4

O grant us light,  
that we may know wisdom  
that you alone can give,  
That truth may guide us as we go,  
and virtue bless the lives we live.

O grant us light  
that we may find where error  
lurks in human lore,  
And turn to you our seeking minds,  
and love your holy Word the more.

O grant us light,  
when soon or late,  
all earthly scenes shall pass away,  
In you to find the open gate,  
to deathless home and endless day.

**Benediction**

Pastor Felix Carrión

**\*Song of Parting**

Congregation

Sing! # 201 "Deep Peace" vs. 1 & 2

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.

Love, love, strong love,  
My love I give to you.  
Love, love, strong love,  
My love I give to you.

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Not as the world gives, I give to you.  
Love, love, strong love,  
My love I give to you.

**Postlude**

Marshall Davies

**Today's Worship Participants**

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