



Worship Service for August 9, 2026

Prelude	Marshall Davies
Chiming of the Hour	Amie Friday
Welcome	Pastor Felix Carrión
Centering Moment	Pastor Felix Carrión
Praise & Worship Songs	Congregation

"Morning Has Broken"

Morning has broken, like the first morning
Blackbird has spoken, like the first bird
Praise for the singing, praise for the morning
Praise for them springing fresh from the world

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven
Like the first dewfall, on the first grass
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden
Sprung in completeness where God's feet pass

Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning
Born of the one light, Eden saw play
Praise with elation, praise every morning
God's re-creation of the new day

Announcements

Amie Friday

Call to Worship

Amie Friday

LEADER: Please join me in our responsive call to
worship.

LEADER: We are invited to live in the Present Moment.

ALL: Be here now, Plymouth!

LEADER: Not yesterday or tomorrow, but this day.

**ALL: We ask God: What are you calling me to do
now, in this present moment?**

LEADER: The Divine Will is manifested to us in the
Present Moment. It is integrated into each day.

**ALL: We have only to live each day fully as a gift
from the Holy One.**

Hymn

Congregation

*TNCH #417 "This Is a Day of New Beginnings"
vs. 1, 4, & * (alternative fourth stanza)*

This is a day of new beginnings,
time to remember and move on,
time to believe what love is bringing,
laying to rest the pain that's gone.

In faith we'll gather round the table
to taste and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings
Our God is making all things new.

Gathering Prayer

Amie Friday

LEADER: Please join me in the Gathering Prayer.

ALL: O Holy One, we confess that we often struggle to embrace the present moment. We find ourselves distracted by the past or preoccupied with the future, leaving little room for being fully present in each day. Our fears and regrets get in the way of living in the precious now. Yet, we know the gift of

each day is always with us. Teach us to know this not as a thought but as a living experience. We pray this for ourselves and for our beloved Plymouth.

Amen.

Biblical Witness

Pastor Felix Carrión

Matthew 6:25 - 33

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not

worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' Indeed your heavenly God knows that you need all these things. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Contemporary Witness

Amie Friday

Quotes Related to Living Each Day Fully

"Stop waiting for Friday, for Summer, for someone to fall in love with you, for life. Happiness is achieved when you stop waiting for it and make the most of the moment you are in now." –Unknown

"Life itself is a privilege, but to live life to the fullest, well, that is a choice."

–Andy Andrews

"Think of each single day as a single life."

–Seneca

Reflection

Pastor Felix Carrión

"Plymouth, Live Each Day Fully"

Special Music

Plymouth Choir (video)

"A World of Difference"

Pastoral Prayer with Joys & Concerns

Pastor Felix Carrión

Invitation to Offering

Amie Friday

Our Church's Wider Mission (OCWM) (UCC 5 for 5)

Offertory Music

Marshall Davies

***Doxology**

Congregation

ALL: 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

Amie Friday

**ALL: Holy One, you have given us the gift of love,
enriching our precious lives. Your blessings
shape us to be of one heart and mind, and so
we offer what we have to you. Bless these gifts
as we bring them, and may they bear fruit in
our lives and community.**

Amen.

Hymn

Congregation

TNCH #28 "For the Beauty of the Earth" vs. 1 & 2

For the beauty of the earth,
for the splendor of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
over and around us lies,
God of all, to you we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour
of the day and of the night,

Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon, and stars of light,
God of all, to you we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

Benediction

Pastor Felix Carrión

***Song of Parting**

Congregation

Sing! #205 "Dance into Joy"

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!
(x2)

Postlude

Marshall Davies

Today's Worship Participants

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