

# Worship Service for August 13, 2023

Prelude Marshall Davies

Chiming of the Hour Judy Walden

Welcome Pastor Felix Carrión

**Centering Moment** Pastor Felix Carrión

\*Praise & Worship Songs Congregation

"By the Stream"

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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.

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planted by the water and sending out its roots by the stream, by the stream.

#### **Announcements**

Judy Walden

#### **Call to Worship**

Judy Walden

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)"

Santo Espíritu llega a este lugar;

Santo Espíritu llenanos de paz;

Santo Espíritu derrama tu uncion;

Santo Espíritu desciende aqui.

Santo Espíritu ven restauranos; Santo Espíritu ven levantanos. Santo Espíritu trae tu bendición.

Holy Spirit come and be with us; Holy Spirit fill us with our 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 blessing on us;
Holy Spirit be with us, we pray.

#### **Gathering Prayer**

Judy Walden

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**

Judy Walden

Ephesians 2: 21 & 22

In Jesus, the household of God is joined together and grows into a holy temple. You also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

## **Contemporary Witness**

**Pastor Felix** 

Why Is Self-care so Important for Your Health (Everydayhealth.com)

Let's clear up one common misconception from the get-go: Self-care is not synonymous with self-indulgence or being selfish. Self-care means taking care of yourself so that you can be healthy, you can be well, you can do your job, you can help and care for others, and you can do all the things you need to and want to accomplish in a day. Self-care is taking steps to tend to your physical and emotional health needs to the best of your ability.

#### Reflection

"You Are a Holy Temple"

# **Special Music**

"A Heartsong Blessing"

Let our breath be gentle wind.

Let our ears be of those who listen.

Let our hearts be love songs for the earth.

Let all our spirits serve,

bringing hope and peace to all the world.

Let our minds be filled with hope.

Let our hands reach out in kindness.

Let our eyes, with interest and respect, seek health and happiness.

Let our souls be filled with wonder.

Let us join our hands in this moment.

We are one in heart and voice.

Let us touch the future together.

As we pray and play, as we live each day,

We can change the world with love.

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Love.

## Pastoral Prayer with Joy & Concerns

Pastor Felix Carrión

**Invitation to Offering** 

Judy Walden

NAM Family Violence Center

**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**

Judy Walden

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**

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