

Worship Service for February 4, 2024

Prelude

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome

Centering Moment

Praise & Worship Songs

Marshall Davies

Amie Friday

Pastor Felix Carrión

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Congregation

Sing! #12 "Come My People"

Come, my people, welcome to worship. Love is in the warmth of this place. Sing to God a song of thanksgiving, Sing to God a song of praise!

Gather in safety, welcomed in Christian love; God touches us with strength from above.

Come, my people, welcome to worship. Love is in the warmth of this place. Sing to God a song of thanksgiving, Sing to God a song of praise!

Stories of Jesus show us the way to live, how to serve others, how to forgive.

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Stand with each other in one community, working together God's reign to see.

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Announcements

Amie Friday

Call to Worship

LEADER: Let us come before the God of all creation with open hands and open hearts.

ALL: Let us praise and thank God with every fiber of our being.

- LEADER: Together we give thanks for the precious gifts of life and love.
 - ALL: Together we proclaim: One bread, one Body, one Jesus, one cup of blessing. Though many throughout the whole earth, we are One.

*Congregational Song

Congregation

Sing! #33 "There's A Spirit of Love In This Place"

There's a spirit of love in this place,

There's a spirit of love in this place.

You can't see it, but it's there,

Just as precious as the air.

There's a spirit of love in this place.

O alleluia, sing alleluia! We bless your holy name. O alleluia, sing alleluia! There's a spirit of love in this place.

There's the presence of peace in this room, There's the presence of peace in this room. In God's tenderness is found Peace that passes human bounds. There's the presence of peace in this room.

O alleluia, sing alleluia! We bless your holy name. O alleluia, sing alleluia! There's a spirit of love in this place.

Gathering Prayer

Congregation

ALL: God of life, we bring our whole selves to you and offer our reverence and awe. Jesus prayed that we would be one and called us to live in unity. We long to experience the fullness of communion. As we gather around your table, we commit ourselves to live in oneness of heart, mind and spirit. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

Invitation to Offering

Amie Friday

Community Peacemaker Teams

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

Amie Friday

ALL: Holy One, we come to you with hearts filled with gratitude for the abundant blessings you give us each day. We acknowledge that cheerful giving is not an obligation but a joyful act of worship. Help us understand that our giving is an

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expression of our deep love for you, our beloved congregation, and our mission. Bless these offerings in service of all that is holy, good and noble.

Amen.

Biblical Witness

Amie Friday

Galatians 3:27 & 28

As many of you were baptized into Jesus have clothed yourselves with Jesus. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Jesus.

Contemporary Witness Pastor Felix Carrión

Living Deeply: The Art and Science of Transformation in Everyday Life Edited by Schlitz, Vieten, Amorok

As a young man, Yassir Chadly–now a charismatic Sufi teacher–was a member of the Moroccan national swimming

team. One day, he went to the ocean to bodysurf. It was a particularly calm day, so rather than surfing the waves of the Atlantic, he decided to float on its surface. It was then that a mystical sense of unity came to him:

"My eyes were closed. I was on my back and feeling little waves, so small, under my body...involuntarily, all of a sudden, I could feel my body growing and growing and growing. I couldn't retrieve it. It was just growing and growing, until the ocean and I were one. I could feel the ocean moving on the Earth, and me within it. I was one with the whole ocean. I could hear inside my head, 'Say that God is one.' And I understood what it means, because I experienced that Oneness. I said, 'Yes, all is one.'"

Reflection

Pastor Felix Carrión

"Yes, All Is One"

Special Music

Plymouth Choir

"The Potter's Hand"

Wonderful God, awesome creator, I know for sure, all of my days are held in your hand, crafted into your perfect plan.

You gently call me into your presence, guiding me by Your Holy Spirit. Teach me, dear God, to live all of my life through your eyes.

I'm captured by your holy calling. Set me apart, I know you're drawing me to yourself, Lead me, God, I pray.

Take me, mold me, use me, fill me. I give my life to the Potter's Hand.

Call me, guide me, lead me, walk beside me, I give my life to the Potter's Hand, the Potter's Hand.

You gently call me into your presence, guiding me by Your Holy Spirit. Teach me, dear God, to live all of my life through your eyes.

I'm captured by your holy calling. Set me apart, I know you're drawing me to yourself, Lead me, God, I pray.

Take me, mold me, use me, fill me. I give my life to the Potter's Hand. Call me, guide me, lead me, walk beside me, I give my life to the Potter's Hand, the Potter's Hand.

Pastoral PrayerPastor Felix CarriónJesus' PrayerCongregation

The New Zealand Book of Prayer

ALL: Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven: The hallowing of your name echoes through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustains our hope and comes on earth. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

Communion Prayer and The Words of Institution Pastor Felix Carrión

Prayer of ThanksgivingCongregationALL: O God, we have come to this table with open
hearts. You fed and nourished our spirits. We rise
from this table to be present to each other with
love and care.Amen.

*Congregational Song

Congregation

Sing! #84 "All My Days"

You know my words, before they're said You know my need and I am fed. You give me life. You know my ways, My strength, my path for all my days, My strength, my path for all my days.

If I should fly beyond the dawn, The shadows will not overcome. If I lie down in deepest night, Still you are there, my truth, my light, Still you are there, my truth, my light.

Our every thought, each word we say, The whole of time, the present day, Are held within your mighty hand Too wonderful to comprehend, Too wonderful to comprehend. O mend my heart and free my voice. From sin released, I will rejoice. O search me now, my spirit cries, and let my song of praise arise, and let my song of praise arise.

Benediction

Pastor Felix Carrión

Song of Parting

Congregation

TFWS #2279 "Tree 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 (()), clap (()), 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

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