



## **Worship Service for April 21, 2024**

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

**"Everything That's Beautiful"**

Everything that's beautiful radiates from you

Whatever takes my breath away draws its breath from you

(x2)

Colors on canvas, orchards in bloom

Laughter on faces, a child in the womb

Everything that's beautiful radiates from you

Whatever takes my breath away draws its breath from you

(x2)

Moon over mountains, poems on the page  
Wings beating skyward, an empty cage

Everything that's beautiful radiates from you  
Whatever takes my breath away draws its breath from you  
(x2)

Everything that's beautiful radiates from you  
(x4)

**Announcements**

Paula McKnight

**Call to Worship**

Paula McKnight

LEADER: We gather in gratitude and abundance, away from the rush and the race, to celebrate the generous spirit that sings, without fear, "may all have enough."

**ALL: We gather to live into the work of God's call.**

LEADER: We gather in Grace, awake to the opportunities to be more and the possibilities seeded within.

**ALL: We gather in Hope, ready to do more than talk, ready to make change one letter, one meal, one gift, and one hand at a time.**

LEADER: We gather to grow, to change moment-by-moment, in grace again and again.

**ALL: We gather to give of our time and our talents, our energy and commitment.**

**\*Congregational Song**

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 Word

Mine is the sunlight

Mine is the morning

Born of the One Light Eden saw play

Praise with elation, praise every morning

God's recreation of the new day

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 Word

**\*Gathering Prayer**

Paula McKnight

**ALL: Holy One, we give you praise and thanks for the gift of life on earth. In this sacred time of unity and community, open our eyes to see your artistry and the splendor of creation all around us. May we hold in our hearts all that you have created. Amen.**

**Biblical Witness**

Pastor Felix Carrión

Psalm 104:10 - 19

You make springs gush forth in the valleys;

they flow between the hills,  
giving drink to every wild animal;  
the wild donkeys quench their thirst.

By the streams the birds of the air have their habitation;  
they sing among the branches.

From your lofty abode you water the mountains;  
the earth is satisfied with the fruit of your work.

You cause the grass to grow for the cattle,  
and plants for people to use,

to bring forth food from the earth,  
and wine to gladden the human heart,  
oil to make the face shine,

and bread to strengthen the human heart.

The trees of the God are watered abundantly,  
the cedars of Lebanon that God planted.

In them the birds build their nests;  
the stork has its home in the fir trees.

The high mountains are for the wild goats;  
the rocks are a refuge for the donkeys.

You have made the moon to mark the seasons;  
the sun knows its time for setting.

## Contemporary Witness

Paula McKnight

### A Litany by Fran Pratt

Where we should have stewarded, we exploited.

Where we should have protected, we left vulnerable.

Where we should have respected, we chose to disregard.

Grant that we may come to a new hope and understanding of your Creation.

Grant that we may find ways to participate in its healing and renewal.

Grant that we may become willing to develop new ways of interacting with the world that consider its beauty and welfare.

Grant that we may re-imagine prosperity, economy, and civilization in light of stewardship of Creation.

Grant that we may more deeply understand the interdependence of humanity and earth.

Grant that we may have a renewed vision and hope for the future of Creation.

May love and gratitude govern our every interaction with humans, creatures, and the earth.

**Reflection**

Pastor Felix Carrión

“Creation”

**Special Music**

Plymouth Choir

“Less Like Me”

Oh, I have days I lose the fight, try my best but just don't get it right.

Where I talk a talk that I don't walk and miss the moments right before my eyes.

Somebody with a hurt that I could have helped,

Somebody with a hand that I could have held.

When I just can't see past myself, Lord, help me be

A little more like mercy, a little more like grace,  
a little more like kindness, goodness, love and faith.  
A little more like patience, a little more like peace,  
a little more like Jesus, a little less like me.

Yeah, there's no denying I have changed, I've been  
saved from who I used to be.

But even at my best, I must confess I still need help to  
see the way You see.

Somebody with a hurt that I could have helped,  
Somebody with a hand that I could have held.

When I just can't see past myself, Lord, help me be

A little more like mercy, a little more like grace,  
a little more like kindness, goodness, love and faith.  
A little more like patience, a little more like peace,  
a little more like Jesus, a little less like me.



Oh, I want to feed the beggar on the street, love to be  
Your hands and feet.

Freely give what I receive, Lord, help me be.

I want to put You first above all else, love they neighbor  
as myself. In the the moments no one see, Lord, help  
me be.

(One, two, three)

A little more like mercy, a little more like grace,  
a little more like kindness, goodness, love and faith.

A little more like patience, a little more like peace,  
a little more like Jesus, a little less like me.

A little more of living ev'rything I preach,  
a little more like Jesus, a little less like me.

Oh, a little less like me.

**Pastoral Prayer**

Pastor Felix Carrión

**Invitation to Offering**

Paula McKnight

Double Down For Plymouth

**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**

Paula McKnight

**ALL: Holy One, we have been made in your image. So, in your generosity, grant us generosity of spirit. In your faithfulness, grant us faithfulness of heart. So that whatever gift we bring to you might be an offer of our devotion to you and all of creation.**

**Amen.**

**\*Congregational Song**

Congregation

"Arise"

Arise, arise, your light

Your light has come

Nations will come

All will come, All will come

(x2)

For your love has turned us around

Your love has turned us around

These walls we've built

Are all comin' on down

Nations will come, all will come, all will come

Arise, arise, your light

Your light has come

Nations will come

All will come, All will come

(x2)

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**Benediction**

Pastor Felix Carrión

**\*Song of Parting**

Congregation

Sing! #199 "Go, Make A Diff'ence"

Go make a diff'ence.

We can make a difference.  
Go make a difference in the world.  
Go make a difference.  
We can make a difference.  
Go make a difference in the world  
(x2)

**Postlude**

Marshall Davies

### **Today's Worship Participants**

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