

DANIEL 2:24-49

A DREAM INTERPRETED

9:30 · CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP JULY 7 · 2024



please stand in body or spirit when you see an *

GREETINGS

PLYMOUTH CHIMES

PRELUDE
Linda Mannering & Kim Manz

PrimaveraCécil Chaminade

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Come, all who are parched and weary
Come hear good news for the exiles!

People All who've borne the weight of many burdens Who long to rest an hour in God's presence,

Leader Come and hear the stories of dreamers
Of courageous ones triumphant against all odds.

People We who have walked in a dry land, far from home Sing praise to God, for the Lord has done mighty things!

All Praise be to God whose steadfast love endures forever!

476 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!



5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail. In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail: Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

*O WORSHIP THE KING

(Found in your pew hymnal.)

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Please, join in reading.)

Holy God, we lift up to you the burdens of our hearts, the dryness and grief which cling so close.
Let the voice of your prophets, the courageous ones of old, speak in us.

Fill us with dreams and visions.

Restore hope within us like streams running full in the desert.

Lead us home once more.

In the strength of your Spirit we pray. Amen

*GLORIA

Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Daniel 2:24-49

Pew Bible HB pgs. 821-822

Reader The Word of God for the people of God.
All Thanks be to God!



*WHEN GOD RESTORED OUR COMMON LIFE



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SERMON

Rev. Caroline Lawson Dean

Stories from the Resistance

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Chancel Choir

arr. Mark Schweizer

*DOXOLOGY (Please, join in singing.)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, you heavenly host; praise God, and Christ and Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*PLYMOUTH COVENANT (Please, join in reading.)

We seek to know the will of God

In the love of truth and in the spirit of Jesus, we unite for the worship of God, and the service of all.

and to walk in God's wavs, made known or to be made known to us; to love one another; to proclaim the Gospel to all the world; to work and pray for the progress of knowledge, the promotion of justice, the reign of peace, and the realization of our shared humanity.

And we look with faith for the triumph of righteousness and the gift of life eternal. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION

COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader God is with you.

People And also with you.

Leader Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to God.

Leader Let us give thanks to God Most High.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader Let us pray...

Lord.

SANCTUS (Please, join in singing.)



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Ho - san-na in the high - est, ho - san-na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

COMMUNION MUSIC

Laudate Dominum

Emily Bennett, soprano

W.A. Mozart

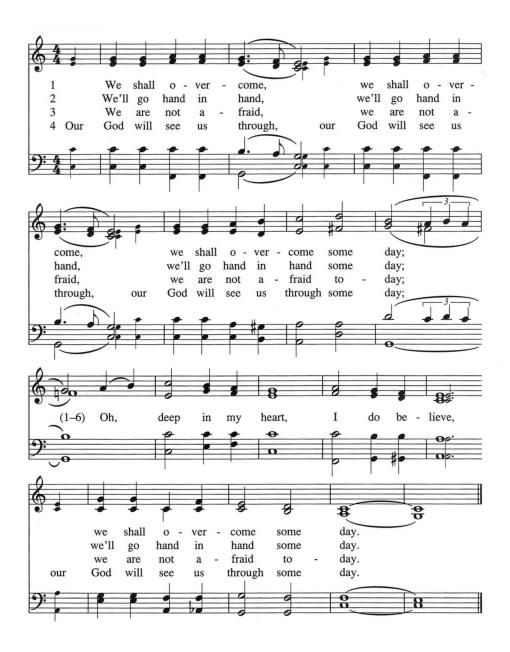
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
Charles A.E. Harriss

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

People Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table. Now strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



*WE SHALL OVERCOME



"We'll Overcome" fist appeared as a protest song during a 1945-1946 labor strike against American Tobacco in Charleston, South Carolina. African American women strikers seeking a pay raise to 30 cents an hour sang as they picketed. "I Will Overcome" was a favorite song of Lucille Simmons, one of the strikers. But she gave the song a powerful sense of solidarity by changing the "I" into "We" as they sang together. Other lyrics were improvised for pro-union purposes, including "We will organize," "We will win our rights," and "We will win this fight."

In 1947, Simmons brought the song to Highlander Folk School and shared it with other labor activists there. Zilphia Horton, head of the school's cultural program, learned it and later taught it to Pete Seeger. At some point, the nationally known folk singer revised the lyrics "We will" to "We shall."

The song spread rapidly as the Civil Rights Movement gained momentum. Protesters sang it as they marched for voting rights. They also sang it as they were beat up, attacked by police dogs, and hauled off to jail for breaking laws enforcing segregation. News and pictures of brutality shocked people across the U.S. and around the world.

"We Shall Overcome" and other protest songs provided the soundtrack to the Civil Rights Movement. The period saw the U.S. confront one of the most complex and controversial issues in its history—race relations. Finally, the U.S. promised a measure of equality for its Black citizens.

Over the years, "We Shall Overcome" made the leap overseas, becoming a protest song among freedom movements around the world. It has been sung by protesters in China, Northern Ireland, South Korea, Lebanon, and parts of Eastern Europe. In India, it is known as "Hum Honge Kaamyaab," a song most every school kid knows by heart.

The song serves as a reminder that the struggles of the 1950s and 1960s have not been fully resolved.

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*BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (People seated and singing.)

God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you, With a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again. Amen.

PLYMOUTH CHIMES

POSTLUDE

Linda Mannering & Kim Manz

American Dance, No. 3
Henry F. Gilbert

TODAY'S SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Preaching: Rev. Caroline Lawson Dean Liturgist: Rev. Jay Lawson Minister of Music & Fine Arts: Kim Manz Handbells: Randy Fuller and Su Johnson Lay Readers: Ava Ayala and Hayden Slough Sound, Light, and Radio: Mark Maziar Cameras and Video: Jeremy Winfrey



PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH





PLEASE, LET US KNOW!



fellowship • coffee • tea • cookies sundays between services

contemplative practices & meditation

MEETING BETWEEN SUNDAY SERVICES

ROOM 205N





Plymouth is providing our Head Start students entering kindergarten this fall with a filled backpack.

We can ensure that these students have new backpacks brimming with school supplies, just in time for their first day of kindergarten. You can help each of these children start school full of confidence and ready to reach their full potential, while also supporting our Head Start teachers!

We will begin collection on Sunday, July 7 and run through the end of July.





We are winding down the Grocery Bucks fundraiser! It is impractical to take digital payments as the processing fees would eat into the profits.

We need your help to reduce our inventory!

We have the following cards available: Hy Vee – \$25's, \$50's; Merc – \$25's, \$50's; Sprouts – \$25's, \$50's, \$100's; and Checkers – \$50's, \$100's.

If you would like to purchase any Grocery Bucks cards, please contact Jane Bireta at jbireta@gmail.com.

Please continue to use your Dillon's Plus Card to participate in the Community Rewards program. By designating Plymouth as your recipient on your Dillon's account, Plymouth receives quarterly payments from Dillon's. You may confirm your selections by checking the bottom of your store receipt where Plymouth Church will be listed.

Thank you for your participation!



We are taking the next steps with our Sanctuary and Organ Project, including the formation of the **Sanctuary and Organ Project Management Committee.**

Memorandum of Understanding Document for the Sanctuary and Organ Project Management Committee – including list of committee members



Plymouth Church Governance Page on the Plymouth website



FAMILY SUNDAY AT PLYMOUTH CHURCH

On Family Sundays kids remain in worship with their families.

Sunday School will not be held. Nursery services are still provided.

Worship bags and coloring pages can be found in the Narthex.

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