Order of Worship February 7, 2021

Welcome Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Greeting Psalm 146:1-2; 10 Lydia Grotos

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

The LORD will reign forever,

your God, O Zion, for all generations.

Praise the LORD!

Opening Hymn

We Bow Down

Opening Prayer Delaina Dries

Gracious God, You are our ultimate source of strength. When we are weak, You are strong. You lift us up when we are down. You renew our strength, and we soar on wings like eagles. Thank You, God, for always raising us up with Your mighty hands.

How strong our bonds are with our families depends on You, Lord. Which is why we ask You to always be the center of our family relationships. Enable our families to be as a triple-braided cord that cannot easily be broken. Let Your Spirit fill our hearts so we can love each other just as Christ loves us. Amen.

Methodist Black History Moment

Scripture Colossians 3:12-17 Doug Swanson

¹² As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³ Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body.

And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ^[b] dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ^[c] ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Sermon Family Ties: Moving Forward Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

Offering Prayer Cheryl Williams

Giving God,

We give You thanks and praise

for all of Your gifts to us.

We know that you are the source of every good thing,

light and love come from You.

You have created us,

and you continue to breathe life into us

through the power of Your Holy Spirit.

You have given us so much,

and it is because we recognize the gifts You have given to us

that we now give to the work of Your kingdom.

As we dedicate this offering,

we offer ourselves too.

for these gifts of money are but tokens of ourselves.

Take and use us.

that our hands may reach out in service,

our feet may walk the difficult path of reconciliation,

and that our words may be words of peace.

For this we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Special Music Whatever You Do - In the Name of the Lord

R. Nelson

Closing Prayer

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Closing Hymn

Our Parent, by Whose Name

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Benediction

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Postlude

Deo Gracias

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We Bow Down

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