



# First Presbyterian

## CHURCH OF EASTON



A Service for the Worship of God

October 23, 2022

**World Music Sunday**

### **WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD**

GATHERING MUSIC

TOWER BELLS

PRELUDE

Carillon for a Joyous Day

Wagner  
The Handbell Choir

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD**

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather together in the name of God, who created all the earth and filled it with song.

**We gather to hear the words of the One who is Love.**

We gather together to sing praises of the One who teaches peace.

**Come, let us worship!**

MUSICAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Uyai Mose (Come, All You People)

Text and music: Alexander Gondo,  
Zimbabwe; arr. Kevin B. Holland  
Jacob Van Norman, djembe

Uyai mose, tina mate Mwari,  
Uayi mose zvino.

Come, all you people come and praise your Maker,  
Come now and worship the Lord.

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalms 122, The Message

When they said, "Let's go to the house of God," my heart leaped for joy. And now we're here inside Jerusalem's walls! Jerusalem, well-built city, built as a place for worship! The city to which all God's tribes go up to worship – to give thanks to God! Thrones for righteous judgment are set there, famous David-thrones.

**Pray for Jerusalem's peace!**

For the sake of friends and strangers we say: Peace be with you.

**Again, we say, live in peace!**

For the sake of the house of the Holy One, our God, we will seek to do good.

And so we pray:

**Peace be within you, Jerusalem.**

Peace be within you, Tehran.

**Peace be within you, Raleigh.**

Peace be within you, Caracas.

**Peace be within you, Cape Town.**

Peace be within you, Kyiv.

**Peace be within you, Paris.**

Peace be within you, Malang.

**Peace be within you, Easton!**

\*HYMN 264 (V.1-4)

When in Our Music God is Glorified

When in our music God is glorified,  
And adoration leaves no room for pride,  
It is as though the whole creation cried:  
Alleluia!

How often, making music, we have found  
A new dimension in the world of sound,  
As worship moved us to a more profound  
Alleluia!

So has the church, in liturgy and song,  
In faith and love, through centuries of wrong,  
Borne witness to the truth in every tongue:  
Alleluia!

Let every instrument be tuned for praise!  
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!  
And may God give us faith to sing always:  
Alleluia! Amen.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Remember, O God, the people of this world! Deliver us from every evil that stands in the way of promise of peace on earth. Help us find a new way, God. Turn us away from human sin that causes conflict; turn us away from pride; turn us away from self-righteousness that will not compromise; away from selfishness that glories in the oppression of others; away from the lust for property or power; away from words and deeds that encourage discord; turn us away from everything that prevents the human family from fulfilling your promise of peace. Teach us a new way, teach us the song of peace. And now, O God, hear our private confessions that we lift up to you in silence...**

*Silent prayer*

**Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. May the God of mercy, who forgives all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

**Amen.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. Amen.**

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 100

SERMON

Rev. Stefanie Muntzel

ANTHEM

Abana

Text and music: Laila Constantine,  
Lebanon; translation: Zaki, Brink and Scheer;  
arr. Greg Scheer

Abanaala thi fisama liyata qad das ismu ka.  
Li-ya'ti ma la ku tu ka li ta kun ma shi a tuka.  
Ka ma fis sa ma i ka tha li ka 'a la alardi.  
Wa khub za na ka fa fa na 'a tina fi a ya mi na.  
Waghfer la na thu nu ba na ka ma nach nu lighayri na.  
La tudkhil na fi taj ri ba.  
Balnajji na min ashirrir.  
Li an na lakal, mul ka, wal quw wa tawal maj da.  
Minalazal i laalabad. Amin.

Abana in heaven, hallowed be your holy name.  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, in all the earth as in heav'n.  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, in all the earth as in heav'n.  
And give to us, give us this day our daily bread, O Lord, we pray.  
Forgive our sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us.  
And save us in time of trial.  
Deliver us from evil.  
Yours is the kingdom, yours the pow'r, yours is the glory now and ever.  
Abana in heaven. Amen.

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Gifted with the grace of God, let us offer ourselves to the building of God's kingdom.

*Our offering is received in support of the church's mission and ministry. Please give by leaving your donation in the box at the front of the church, by mail or by making your donation online through our website, [eastonfpc.org](http://eastonfpc.org).*

OFFERING PRAYER

Bless the gifts given in thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all, that we might serve you and your people with great love. In Christ's name, amen.

\*RESPONSE

Doxology

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.**

**WE GO IN GOD'S NAME**

\*HYMN 386 (V.1-5)

O for a World

O for a world where everyone  
Respects each other's ways,  
Where love is lived and all is done  
With justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared  
And misery relieved,  
Where truth is spoken, children spared,  
Equality achieved.

We welcome one world family  
And struggle with each choice  
That opens us to unity  
And gives our vision voice.

The poor are rich, the weak are strong,  
The foolish ones are wise.  
Tell all who mourn; Outcasts belong,  
Who perishes will rise.

O for a world preparing for  
God's glorious reign of peace,  
Where time and tears will be no more,  
And all but love will cease.

\*BENEDICTION

Go out this day with God's song of peace resounding in your heart.  
Go this day knowing God's love for the whole world and for you.

POSTLUDE

O for a World (Hymn 386)

arr. Callahan

*The flowers on the communion table are given today for the glory of God and in grateful appreciation for our congregation, and for all of our vocal and instrumental musicians who bless our worship each week.*

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Worship Leaders

Rev. Stefanie Muntzel

Gloria Snyder, Organist

Elizabeth Campbell, Chancel Choir Director

The Chancel Choir

Peter Becker, Liturgist

Tech Support: Jacob Van Norman, Bill Bartlett, Rich Linnell, Pat Koefoed, Luke McGloughlin

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**Psalm 100**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing. Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name. For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.