

We Gather in Community

Welcoming Music

Joe Lawrence

Welcome

Rev. Ashley

Ringing of the Bell

Young Person

Call to Worship

David Weinreb

One: For the people who nurture us,

All: we give thanks!

One: For the families we create as we grow,

All: we give thanks!

One: For this community of faith we walk with,

All: we give thanks!

↑Gathering Hymn

#85

I Woke Up This Morning

↑Gathering Prayer (unison) *Grey Oletsa, adapted*

David Weinreb

O Sweet Balm of Harvest, help us see each other through from one season into the next. Guide us through grace to your gentleness. Help us stand confidently in the light of truth. O Brilliant Magnitude, O Bond of our bonds, give us your business out of your bountiful generosity and give us your love that pursues and holds throughout the ages. Amen.

↑Passing the Peace

David Weinreb

One: We are invited to feast at the table of God's Shalom, to seek the well-being and the wholeness of all creation. Peace for our bodies. Peace for our souls,

All: Peace in our relationships. Peace in our world.

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share the sign of peace with one another.

Birthday Blessing

Community

We Share the Word

Time with our Young People and Young at Heart

Rev. Ashley

All are invited to come forward and sit in the front if they feel led. Children K-5 will then depart for Godly Play next door.

Centering Hymn

#247

My Shepherd Is the Living God

Communal Reading: Hymnal pg 633-34

David Weinreb

Reflection

Rev. Ashley

Choral Anthem

The 23rd Psalm (dedicated to my Mother)

Bobby McFerrin

Mount Hollywood Choir

We Pray

Sharing Our Joys, Concerns and Discoveries

Rev. Ashley

It is our practice to share our Gratitude and Joy, Concerns and Discoveries

The Lord's Prayer: Maori & Polynesia, New Zealand Book of Prayer

(unison, please use the words that are most meaningful for you)

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 echo 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

Sustain our hope and come 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 trial 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.

We Give

Words that Inspire us to Give

David Weinreb

Offertory

“May the Good Lord Bless And Keep You” Meredith Wilson
Autumn Lawrence, soloist

Prayer of Dedication (Unison) *enfleshed*

David Weinreb

To the liberation of all people and to the crumbing of all systems that harm, we dedicate our offerings, oh God. To the thriving of ecosystems and vanishing of scarcity mindset, we dedicate our offerings, oh God. Bless our shared resources towards collective abundance. Amen

We Are Sent

Announcements

David Weinreb

↑**Sending Hymn**

#75

Lord, Make Me More Holy

↑**Closing Blessing**

Rev. Ashley

Postlude

Joe Lawrence

All Members, Ministers
Rev. Ashley Hiestand, Pastor
Joe Lawrence, Music Director
Clay Widdifield, Moderator
Vincent Lopez, Technical Director



The Good Shepherdess, by Kelly Latimore



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Whoever you are, and wherever you are on life's journey, we are so glad you are worshipping with us today. Welcome home!

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

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↑Please stand in mind, body, or spirit