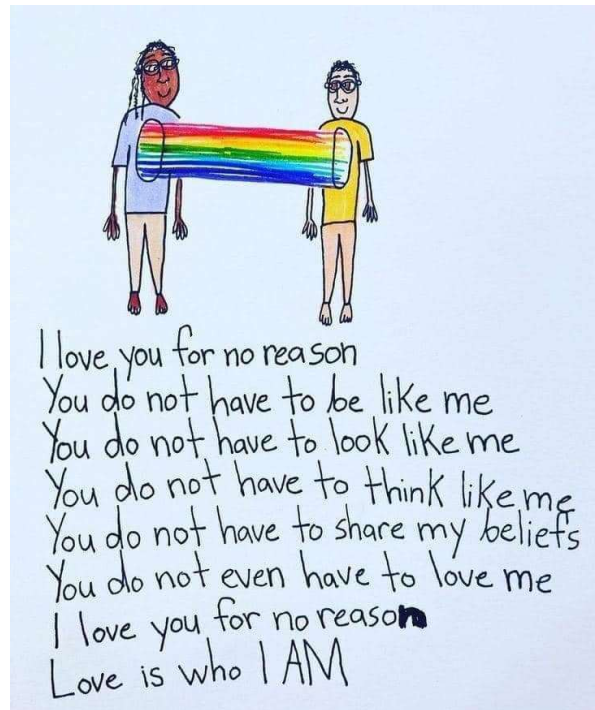




JULY 10-11, 2021

7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Meditation Before Worship:



Pastoral Welcome and Announcements

Thoughts for the Day:

- ❖ "You never completely have your rights, one person, until you all have your rights." - Marsha P. Johnson
- ❖ People will forget what you said. They will forget what you did. But they will never forget how you made them feel. - Maya Angelou
- ❖ "Hospitality means primarily the creation of free space where the stranger can enter and become a friend instead of an enemy. Hospitality is not to change people, but to offer them space where change can take place. It is not to bring men and women over to our side, but to offer freedom not disturbed by dividing lines." - Henri J.M. Nouwen, Reaching Out: The Three Movements of the Spiritual Life

Call to Worship:

Leader: Naming God, you sent your Beloved Child to us to dissolve the binaries

People: between clean and unclean,

Leader: between Holy and unholy,

People: between saved and unsaved,

Leader: between human and divine,

People: and even between death and life.

Leader: Grant that we, following in your Child's footsteps, may see our whole lives as Scripture

People: so the coming of your Kingdom may be witnessed in the way we love one another beyond boundaries.

Song: All are Welcome, verses 1, 4 & 5 (music at end of bulletin)

The Confession:

All: Our hearts are broken. We don't know how to love properly.

Our trust is broken. We cannot earn it faithfully or give it freely.

Our community is broken. We cannot love our neighbor as ourselves.

We confess that we are both the victims and the perpetrators of our brokenness.

We implore you, dear God: Break the cycle of brokenness. Provide the grace and trust that we cannot provide.

Open our eyes to our neighbors who are near to us, and those who are far away.

Heal our hearts. Restore our trust. Build our human community.

Blessing/Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. All have been saved and quite simply all means all. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to advocate and love our neighbors, all of them. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. Amen.

The Confession Response: Stand With You (music at end of bulletin)

The Gospel:

Matthew 20:1-16

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage,^[a] he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; ⁴ and he said to them, ‘You also go into the

vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage.^[b] ¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage.^[c] ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?’^[d] ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’^[e] ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”^[f]

Message: *“The Vineyard is Open!”* **Nicholas Schoob**

Message Response: **Build a Longer Table** (*music at end of bulletin*)

The Prayers

The Lord’s Prayer:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Sending Out:

Leader: May the Holy Parent ignite the fires of advocacy in your heart. May the Spirit place the scroll of knowledge on your tongue in tough conversations. May the Son walk with you as you march with your queer and BIPOC siblings. Amen .

All: Amen!

Sending Song: **God, We Gather as Your People** (*music at end of bulletin*)

The Dismissal:

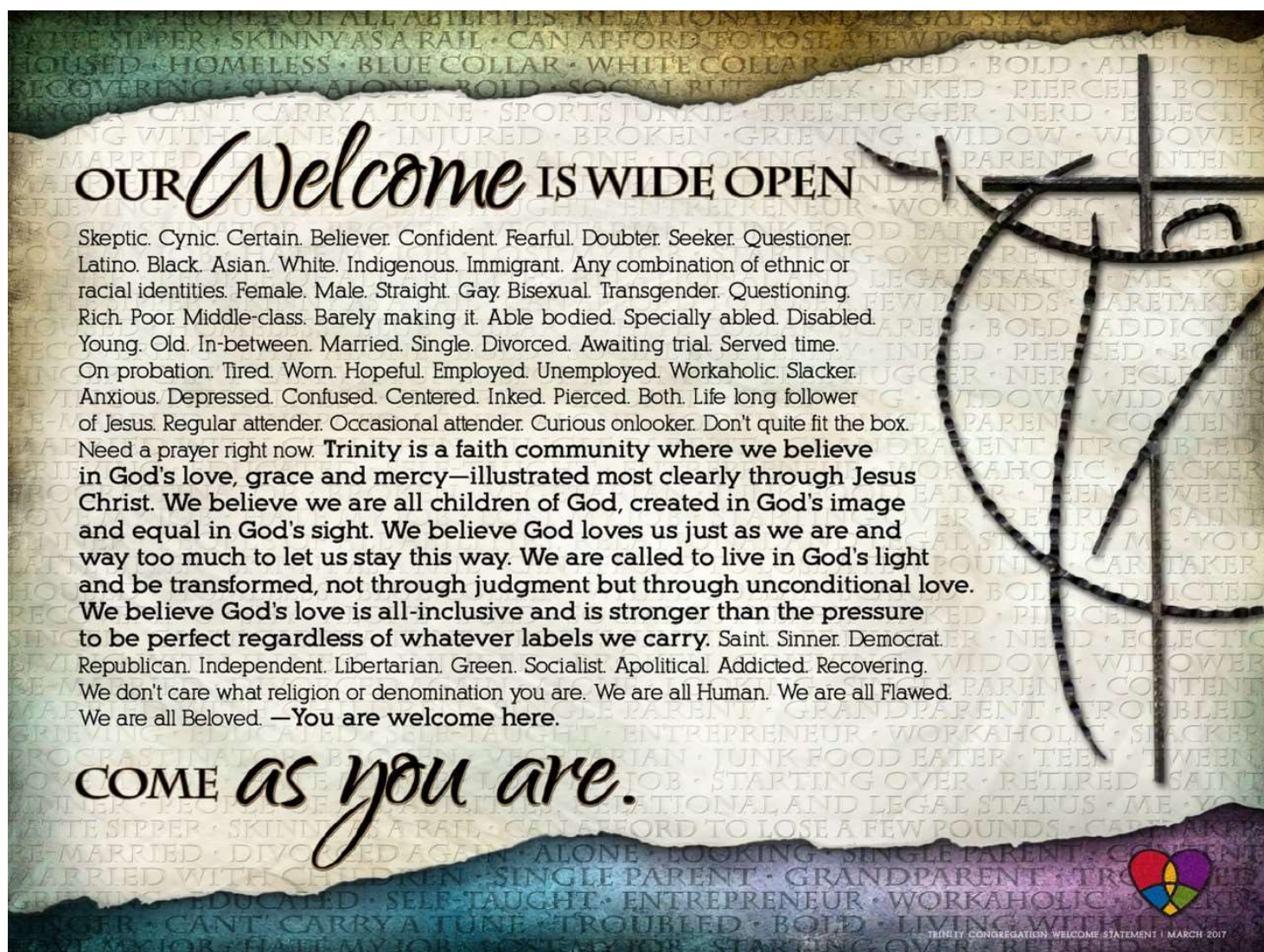
L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

BIPOC=Black, Indigenous, and People of Color= An umbrella term for all of those who are not identified as “white,” with a special focus on the specific ways that in the United States Black and Indigenous folk face specific realities and which need to be recognized. Pronounced (Buy-pock). Mistakes are made (like I did in the video), that is okay, apologize briefly, and then correct yourself and continue. No need to belabor it or require someone else to comfort you on it.

LGBTQQIA2S+=Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Intersex, Agender, Asexual, Aromantic, two-spirit, and leaving the understanding that our understandings of self and others continue to grow and change and there is always room to expand.

RIC= Reconciling in Christ=the formal process that congregations go through to proclaim that they are affirming of the blessedness of our LGBTQQIA2S+ and BIPOC siblings and cousins. As well as to access resources and adhere to most recent practices.



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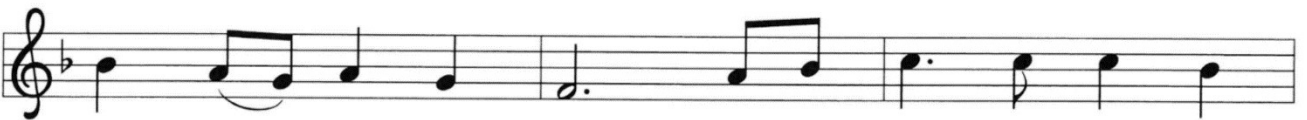
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1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly
2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how
true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where
stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and
heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
claim the faith of Je - sus:
Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,
end to fear and dan - ger:
claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

Stand With You



1.If you find that you're locked out just be - cause of who you are or be -
2.If you're told that who you are is of - fen - sive in God's sight, if you're



cause of how you look or who you're with. Well I
mocked or dis - re - gard - ed or dis - graced, If you're



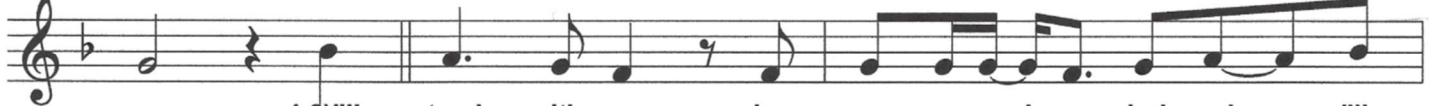
may not have the pow'r to un - lock the doors my - self, but I
pow - er - less or poor, if you're left out or de - spised, if you're



do be - lieve God wants you to know or this.
vic - tim - ized by pre - ju - dice or hate.



You won't have to stand there a - lone. I know this be -
I'll stand up for your dig - ni ty un - til we're all be -
You won't have to stand there a - lone. We know this be -



cause, 1,2)I'll stand with you when - e - ver you're ex - clud - ed. I'll
free. cause. 3)We'll We'll



stand with you when you can't stand on your own. I'll stand with you when
We'll



you're put down or wound - ed, 'cause that's what I know that

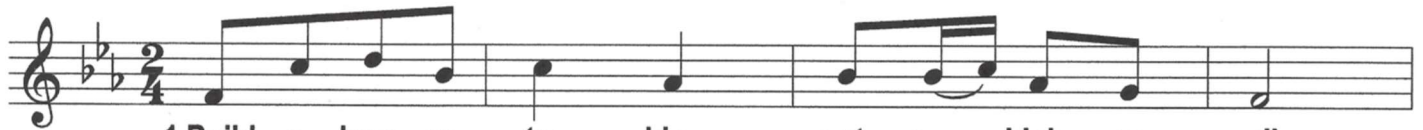


Je - sus would do do. Je - sus would do.



That's what we know that Je - sus would do.

Build a Longer Table



1. Build a long-er ta - ble, not a high - er wall,
2. Build a saf - er ref - uge, not a larg - er jail;
3. Build a broad er door - way, not a long - er fence.
4. When we lived as ex - iles, ref - u - gees a - broad,



feed - ing those who hun - ger, mak - ing room for all.
where the weak find shel - ter, mer - cy will not fail.
Love pro - tects all peo - ple, spar - ing no ex - pense.
Christ be - came our door - way to the reign of God.



Feast - ing to - geth - er, strang - er turns to friend,
For an - y place where jus - tice is de - nied,
When we em - brace com - pas - sion more than fear,
So must our ta - bles wel - come those who roam.



Christ breaks walls to piec - es; false di - vi - sions end.
Christ will breach the jail wall, free - ing all in - side.
Christ tears down our fenc - es; all are wel - come here.
None can be ex - clud - ed; all must find a home.

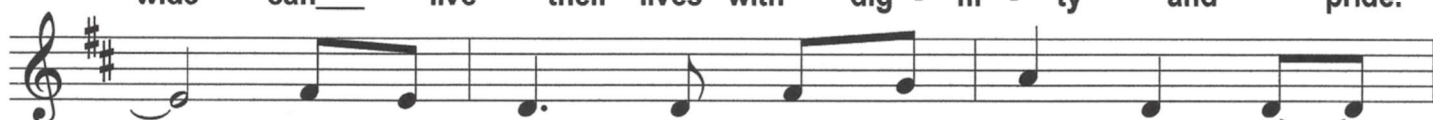
God, We Gather as Your People



1. God, we gath - er as your peo - ple to raise our song a -
2. Oh, we sing for all the chil - dren, that one day they be
3. Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear and
4. God, we're work - ing for the fu - ture when chil - dren far and



bove, and we dare to claim the prom - ise of your love.
free; and we sing for gen - er - a - tions yet to be,
shame, so a - fraid of who they are and whom they love.
wide can live their lives with dig - ni - ty and pride.



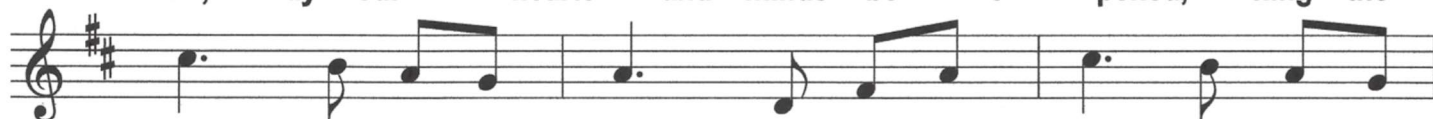
Though the day may not yet be here, we
that they nev - er have a rea - son to
May the mes - sage now be ban - ished that your
As they grow in strength and sta - ture, may they



trust it soon will be, when your chil - dren will be free. (sing v.2)
doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest.
love is for the few, may their faith in you re - new. (sing v.4)
join us hand in hand, as a - gainst all hate we stand.



Oh, may our hearts and minds be o - pened, fling the



church doors o - pen wide. May there be room e - nough for



ev - 'ry-one in - side. For in God, there is a wel - come, in



God we all be - long. May that wel - come be our song.