

First United Methodist Church of Saginaw
CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICE IN THE STYLE OF TAIZÉ
August 3, 2022 7:00 p.m.

-----The beginning of the service will be denoted by the ringing of a bell.-----

Song: "GOD IS HERE TODAY"

w/m traditional Mexican, trans. by C. Michael Hawn, c2000 Choristers Guild

God is here to - day; _____ as
Dios es - tá a - quí, _____ tan

cer - tain as the air I breathe, _____ as
cier - to co - mo el ai - re que res - pi - ro, _____ tan

cer - tain as the morn - ing sun that ris - es, as
cier - to co - mo la ma - ña - na se le - van - ta, tan

cer - tain when I sing you'll hear my song. _____
cier - to co - mo que le can - to y me pue - de o - ír. _____

Scripture: Job 12: 7-10

But now, ask the beasts, and let them teach you;
and the birds of the heavens, and let them tell you.
Or speak to the earth, and let it teach you; and let the fish of the sea declare to you.
Who among these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this,
in whose hand is the life of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind?

Reading: *Poem* – by Mary de La Valette

I do not have to go to Sacred Places
in far off lands.
The ground I stand on is holy.
Here, in this little garden I tend,
my pilgrimage ends.
The wild honeybees, the hummingbird moths,
the flickering fireflies at dusk
are a microcosm of the Universe.

Each seed that grows,
each spade of soil is full of miracles.
And I toil and sweat
And watch and wonder
And am full of love.
Living in place...in this place.
For truth and beauty
dwell here.

Silence (2 minutes)

Song: "SING TO THE LORD"

Jacques Berthier, ©1991 Ateliers et Presses de Taizé, Taizé Community

The image shows a musical score for the song "Sing to the Lord". It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system of music has the following lyrics: "Sing to the Lord, all my be - ing, let ev-'ry-thing in me pro-claim God's sal-va-tion. Lo - be den Herrn, mei-ne See - le, und al-les in mir sei-nen hei - li - gen Na-men!". The second system of music has the following lyrics: "Sing to the Lord, all my be - ing, and re-mem-ber all of God's mar-vel - ous deeds! Lo - be den Herrn, mei-ne See - le, und ver-giß nicht, was er dir Gu - tes ge - tan!".

Scripture: Colossians 3: 12-14

Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved,
clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.
Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other.
Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Reading: *Oh, How Beautiful This Finely Woven Earth*

by Gaia Willis_Owen, lyrics to the music by Greg Jasperse

Oh how beautiful, this finely woven earth.
We are bound in threads of joy,
threads of grief, of soul.
Your tears fall from my eyes,
my joy rings in your laughter.
We are bound together.
Give me your sorrow,

I will stretch across over green pine
and sparkling lake.
How my heart beats with yours,
you will feel how my heart beats with yours.
I know your heart's journey,
it is my own.
Oh how beautiful, our finely woven earth.

Song: "MAKE US ONE" w/m by Carol Cymbala, c1991 Word Music and Carol Joy Music

Make us one, Lord, make us one; Ho - ly

Spir - it, make us one. Let your love flow so the

Bass part optional

world will know we are one in you. Make us you.

Repeat ending unis. *Song ending*

unis.

Time of Prayer — Pastor Amy Terhune

Silence (10 minutes)

Song: "LET OUR EARTH BE PEACEFUL"

words by Shirley Erena Murray, music by Carlton Young, ©2005 Abingdon Press

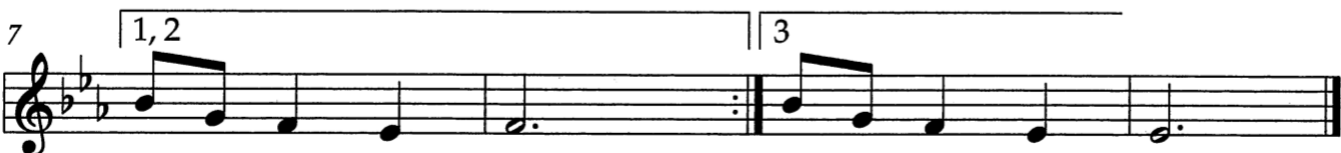


1. Let our earth be peace - ful, let our hearts be
 2. Let our ways be mind - ful, mend - ing what is
 3. Let our lives be fruit - ful, beau - ti - ful and

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hope - ful, let our hands be gen - tle
 hurt - ful, do - ing what is need - ful
 play - ful, ev - ery day be thank - ful



for the love of God.
 for the love of God.
 for the love of God.

Benediction — from NO ONE BUT US by the Seekers Church, www.seekerschurch.org

Sisters and brothers in Christ,
 let us go forth to stand in God's Holy place—
 And then all will care for the sick and the weak and the old
 And then all will nourish the young
 And then all will cherish life's creatures
 And then all will live in harmony
 with each other and the Earth
 And then everywhere will be called Eden once again. Amen.

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