

October 27, 2024

**Williston-Immanuel United Church
Portland, Maine**



COMING TOGETHER

Prelude

“Amazed”

arr. Keveren

Welcome

John Killeen

Theme and Gathering Song: “Make Me a Channel Of Your Peace”

Sebastian Temple arr. Jane Holstein

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord
And where there's doubt true faith in You

Make me a channel of your peace
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope
Where there is darkness only light
And where there's sadness ever joy

**O Master, grant that I may never seek
So much to be consoled as to console
To be understood as to understand
To be loved, as to love with all my soul**

Make me a channel of your peace
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned
It's in giving of ourselves that we receive
And in dying that we're born to eternal life

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

Opening Prayer

John Killeen

Peace Across the Divide

Rev. Reba Delzell

Voice 1: If you are my sibling, then this family is in trouble.

Voice 2: No kidding! What in the world are you thinking?

Voice 1: What if you really hate me?

Voice 2: What if we never find common ground?

Voice 1: I cannot imagine getting beyond this divide.

Voice 2: I'm not sure I am willing to work to repair all of this.

Leader: Wait.

***People:* Breathe.** [take a breath]

Leader: Let the anxiety take a break for just a moment.

***People:* Breathe again.** [take a breath]

Leader: We are not alone.

***People:* Christ is with us.**

Leader: Let us take a one more deep breath together [take a breath]...

The rhythm of our breath and heartbeat is the same.

Our desire for life and love is the same.

Our desire for a peace in which we flourish is the same.

Let this moment permeate our souls,

and let us pass the peace of Christ between us.

This peace is meant for all people.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

***Hymn**

“O for a World”

Carl G. Glaser

PROCLAIMING REALLY GOOD NEWS

The God Box

Rev. Reba Delzell

Scripture

1 Corinthians 12: 4-11, NRSVUE

John Killeen

The Word in Music

“How Firm a Foundation”

John Carter

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word!
What more can he say than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand

When through the deep waters I came thee to go,
the rivers of sorrow not overflow
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee they deepest distress

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, thy gold refine

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not desert to his foes; that soul,
though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake!

Message

“Living Together on Uncommon Ground”

Rev. Reba Delzell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Prayer Song

“Ubi Caritas”

Taize

F C Dm B \flat D G C ,
U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,

F C Dm Gm C F
u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us I - bi est.

Translation: “Where charity and love are found, God is there”

Prayers of the People

Lord’s Prayer (Please use any name for God you prefer for 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.**

Invitation to the Offering

John Killeen

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Musical Offering

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise God all creatures here below!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Help us to work together well,
respect and honor in this world.**

Follow Jesus, praise the Spirit,

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Offertory Prayer

RIPPLING FORTH

***Closing Hymn**

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

John Zundel

Announcements

Rev. Reba Delzell

Benediction

Rev. Reba Delzell

Postlude

“Festive Trumpet Tune”

David German

O for a World

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Miriam Therese Winter, 1987

Acts 4:32-35; 1 Cor. 1:26-31; 1 Pet. 3:8-12

1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice
4 The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the fool - ish ones are wise.
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,

Where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.
Where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
That o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

Inspired by Charles Wesley's phrase "O for a thousand tongues" and the familiar tune Azmon, Miriam Therese Winter wrote this hymn envisioning a new world order for the Presbyterian Women's Triennial Conference in 1982. It was later recrafted and recorded by the Medical Mission Sisters.

Tune: AZMON C.M.
Carl G. Gläser, 1828
Adapt. Lowell Mason in Modern Psalmody, 1839

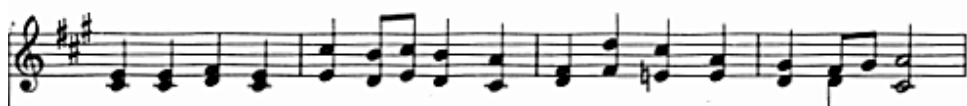
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Mat. 3:1; 2 Cor. 3:18; 5:17; Eph. 5:27

Charles Wesley, 1747; alt.



1 Love di-vine, all loves ex-cel-ling, joy of heaven, on earth be found.
 2 Breathe, O breathe your lov-ing Spir-it in-to ev-ery trou-bled breast;
 3 Come, al-might-y to de-liv-er, let us all your life re-ceive;
 4 Fin-ish, then, your new cre-a-tion; pure and spot-less may we prove;



Fix in us a hum-ble dwell-ing, all your faith-ful mer-cies crown;
 Let us all in you in-her-it, let us find your prom-ised rest;
 Sud-den-ly re-turn, and ne-ver, ne-ver-more your tem-ples leave.
 Let us see your great sal-va-tion per-fect-ly re-stored in you;



Je-sus, you are all com-pas-sion; pure, un-bound-ed love im-part.
 Take a-way our love of sin-ning; Al-pha and O-me-ga be;
 You we would be al-ways bless-ing, love you as your an-gels love,
 Changed from glo-ry in-to glo-ry, till in heaven we take our place.



Vis-it us with your sal-va-tion, en-ter ev-ery trem-bling heart.
 End of faith, as its be-gin-ning, set our hearts at lib-er-ty.
 Pray and praise for your un-fail-ing, wound-ed arms out-stretched a-bove.
 Crowned as saints, we ev-er shall be lost in won-der, love, and praise.



This hymn is said to have been suggested by a "Song of Venus" from Dryden's King Arthur. It is one of 6,500 written by Charles Wesley, the "sweet singer of Methodism," who was skilled at interspersing liturgical and spiritual language.

Tune: BEECHER 8.7.8.7.D.

John Zundel, 1855

Alternate tune: HYFRYDOL

For another hymn suggestion, see 368, #95

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October Special Offering -Neighbors in Need

DID YOU KNOW.....

A just world for all is a world where the human rights and well-being of people with mental health challenges are respected, no matter who you are or where you are in life's mental health journey.



The Outreach Committee will send \$100 "seed" money. If you would like to help this amount grow, use the special envelopes, donate on the wiuc.org web page, or send your gift to the church Attn: Linda Russell. Please indicate that your gift is for the October Special Offering. Your generosity and care will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you! The Outreach Committee

Notes

CHURCH STAFF

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CALENDAR

Tuesday, October 29

6:30 pm Council

Wednesday, October 30

7 pm Sojourners (online)

Thursday, October 31

1:30 pm Wayside Meal pick up
7 pm Choir

Saturday, November 2

7 pm Narcotics Anonymous (Parlor, M-A)

Sunday, November 3

Daylight Savings Time Begins
10 am Sunday Worship
11 am Coffee Hour
11:30 am Soul Food Bible study
12-2:30 pm Tree of Life Gospel Church (Chapel)
3-5:30 pm Sudanese Presbyterian Fellowship (Chapel)

Music license: CCLI #312373

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