

July 5, 2020 Liberty & Justice for All? 9:45 AM

## PRELUDE

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal  
*My Country 'Tis of Thee*  
Arr. by Mark Hayes  
Welcome by Pastor Kel Henderson

## CALL TO WORSHIP

led by Suvan & Steve Geer

One: As citizens of the USA, let us use the imagination we must to live in a land where justice and truth flourish.

Many: **Let us work for the ongoing just trade of goods and services so resources are used wisely and everyone receives fair treatment and living wages.**

One: Let us strengthen our nation to provide equal opportunity, quality education, and health care to all.

Many: **Let us make compassion to one another a national virtue in a nation of varied races and ethnicities.**

One: Let us continue to *make things right* in order to lead the United States away from bigotry, hatred and violence.

Many: **Let us know Christ' Spirit of peace when facing walls that divide, which we are called to break down.**

One: Let love be evident in this community to heal and transform the world, as we choose true justice for all.

## Prayer (unison)

led by Suvan Geer

**Recall us, O God, to the vision of our nation's founding. Keep alive among us the fundamental civic virtues of reason, equality, and fairness. Inspire our national quest for unity with deep respect for diversity. Remind those who govern that the primary function of government is to provide for the security and well-being of all, with special services for children and the elderly, for the sick and the differently abled, and for those not given equal protection and opportunity. May our patriotism be marked by a commitment to justice and compassion for all we pray. Amen.**

## OPENING SONG

*This Land is Your Land*

## MORNING PRAYERS

led by Pastor Kel Henderson

### Pastoral Prayer

### Lord's Prayer, Gnostic Version

**Our Father and Mother God, You are within us all, and You make all things holy and united, as You are holy and united, one God living and true. Your Kingdom come, Your will be done, which is love to all that lives in the heavens and on the earth. Give us this day our daily bread, and let us give our daily bread to those who have none; and heal our broken spirits, as we heal and forgive others. And lead us, through the darkness of your mystical love, to the light of the Christ, Amen**

## COMMUNION SONG

*Change My Heart, O God*

## SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Sharing of the Elements  
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor Kel Henderson

***We give thanks, gracious God, for refreshing us at Christ's table. Strengthen our faith, increase our love, and send us forth in peace and for justice. Amen.***

## SPECIAL MUSIC

Chancel Choir

*Lift Every Voice and Sing*

By J. Rosamond Johnson and James Weldon Johnson

## SCRIPTURE READING

Michelle Linton

Matthew 11: 15-19

<sup>15</sup>Let anyone with ears listen! <sup>16</sup>But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,<sup>17</sup> "*We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.*" <sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "*John has a demon*"; <sup>19</sup>the Anointed One came eating and drinking, and they say, "*Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!*" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.'

**MESSAGE**

*Big Truths*

Pastor Mike Holland

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENT**

by Jim Rosenquist

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**BENEDICTION**

Pastor Mike Holland

**CONGREGATIONAL/CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;*

*I can feel God's mighty power and God's grace.*

*I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face;*

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

*(Repeat)*

**POSTLUDE**

John Douglas and Jeffrey Segal

*Victory is Jesus*

By E. M. Bartlett