



LA JOLLA
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God is In the Radio

What if the Spirit is speaking through
the songs we already know?

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Seventh Sunday of Easter
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WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

Gathering Music

You Say

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Call to Worship

One: The Alpha and Omega says, "Come."

All: Let everyone who hears come into God's presence.

One: The tree of life says, "Come."

All: Let those who seek eternal life come to the root and the descendent of David, our bright morning star.

One: The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

All: Let everyone who is thirsty come to the heavenly banquet and drink from the wine of our salvation.

One: Come! Let us worship God together.

Congregational Introit

Surely the Presence

UMH 328

Welcome

† Opening Hymn

The Voice of God Is Calling

UMC 436

1. The voice of God is calling its summons in our day;
Isaiah heard in Zion, and we now hear God say:
"Whom shall I send to succor my people in their need?
Whom shall I send to loosen the bonds of shame and greed?"
2. "I hear my people crying in slum and mine and mill;
no field or mart is silent, no city street is still.
I see my people falling in darkness and despair.
Whom shall I send to shatter the fetters which they bear?"
3. We heed, O Lord, your summons, and answer: Here are we!
Send us upon your errand, let us your servants be.
Our strength is dust and ashes, our years a passing hour;
but you can use our weakness to magnify your power.
4. From ease and plenty save us; from pride of place absolve;
purge us of low desire; lift us to high resolve;

take us, and make us holy; teach us your will and way.
Speak, and behold! we answer; command, and we obey!

Blessing for Young Hearts

Prayers of the People

*A Pastor will begin a time of prayer and name those for whom our congregation is praying.
Online Worshipers may type prayer requests in the Live Chat, taking care for privacy.*

Pastoral Prayer

WE HEAR OF THE LOVE OF CHRIST

Scripture

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 (NRSVue)

“See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.”

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

“It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.”
And let everyone who hears say, “Come.”
And let everyone who is thirsty come.
Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.”

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Scriptural Response

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen

Anthem

Everything Is Beautiful

Ray Stevens/Arr. Gilpin
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WE RESPOND TO THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

Response to the Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

You'll Never Walk Alone

Rogers & Hammerstein
Arr. James Michael Stevens
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† Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Confession

All: God of fire and lightning, Lord of thunder and storm, clouds and thick darkness surround you in glory. Despite our pretense of self-assurance, we feel insignificant in your presence. We yearn to have the courage of your apostles and prophets, who spoke your truth to power, even when it cost them. Somehow, fear always seems to hold us back. We long to fulfill Jesus' prayer that we may be one with you and each other. But our longing cannot overcome the divisions we cling to through our prejudices and our need to set ourselves apart. Forgive us, Holy One. Shake the heavens and awaken us from our dreams of separateness. For your light dawns on the righteous, and your joy comes to the upright in heart. Bless us with wisdom and truth, that we may be instruments of your grace and vehicles of your saving love. Amen.

One: Light has dawned upon us through Christ, our bright morning star. Walk in the light of the love of God, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Thanksgiving and Holy Communion Musical Setting A

UMH 17

Online worshipers are invited to select elements including bread and juice (or similar) from their homes to participate in Holy Communion. Please wait until directed before receiving your elements.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us, not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Communion Song

For the Bread Which You Have Broken

UMH 614

1. For the bread which you have broken, for the wine which you have poured,
for the words which you have spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
2. By this pledge that you do love us, by your gift of peace restored,
by your call to heaven above us, hallow all our lives, O Lord.
3. With our sainted ones in glory seated at the heavenly board,
may the church that's waiting for you keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.
4. In your service, Lord, defend us, in our hearts keep watch and ward;
in the world where you have sent us, let your kingdom come, O Lord.

Prayer After Communion

WE FOLLOW CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

† **Closing Hymn**

We Are Called

TFWS 2172

1. Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God!

Refrain

We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly,
we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God!

2. Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless so all hatred and blindness will be no more!

Refrain

We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly,
we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God!

3. Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love!

Refrain

We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly,
we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God!

† **Benediction**

Postlude

Toccata in C Major

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