

A Candlelight Prayer Vigil

Sunday, January 17, 2021

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Phillips

Prayer of Invocation

Rev. Marjorie Wilhelmi

Here we are, O Lord.

We come to you in the shadows of this evening,
seeking shelter from the disquiet in the world and the confusion in our hearts.

Center us in the peace of your presence.

Reorient us from fear to faith, from distress to hope, from anger to understanding.

In the stillness of this evening, give us the grace to rest in you,
to worship you, to trust in you and to be renewed in your unfailing love
for you are our God, and we are your people.

Ignite our hearts with love for you, O Heavenly Father; *a candle is lit*

Ignite our minds with wisdom and understanding, O Holy Spirit; *a candle is lit*

Ignite our souls with compassion and care for all creation, Jesus Christ, Our Lord; *a candle is lit*

That we may bear your light of truth, goodness, peace and healing into our world.

Hymn 676 - Day Is Done, v. 1 and 2

Prayer of Lament

Rev. Kelsey Sorge

In the darkness, O God, we cry out to you . . .

Where are you leading us? How are you calling us? What is your will?

Moment of silence.

Make us one body; reconcile all people.

From the dust, O God, we cry out to you . . .

Why am I forgotten? Why am I forsaken? Why are you so far away?

Moment of silence

Make us one body; reconcile all people.

In our pain and division, O God, we cry out to you . . .

Where is my family? Where are my friends? Who is my neighbor?

Moment of silence

Make us one body; reconcile all people.

In our hunger and thirst, O God, we cry out to you . . .

When will justice come? When will peace come? How long?

Moment of silence

Make us one body; reconcile all people.

Kyrie

Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Angela Ryo

We believe in God: who has created and is creating,
who has come to us in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in creation, to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, and in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 91

Chancel Choir

Antiphon: How safe it is, this hiding place, beneath God's everlasting wings.

You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty –
Say to the Lord, “My refuge and my stronghold,
my God, in whom I put my trust.”
For God will rescue you from the snare of the hunter,
and from the deadly pestilence.
He shall cover you with His wings, and you shall find refuge,
God's faithfulness will be your shield and defense. ~*Antiphon.*
You shall not be afraid of any terror by night,
nor the arrow that flies by day;
Nor the plague that stalks in darkness,
nor the sickness that lays waste at noon.
Because you have made the Lord your refuge,
and the Most High your habitation.
There shall no evil befall you,
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling. ~*Antiphon.*
For God will give the angels charge over you,
to keep you in all your ways.
They shall bear you up in their hands,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
Because they are bound to me in love, therefore will I deliver them,
I will protect them, because they know my Name. ~*Antiphon.*
They will call me, and I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and bring them to honor.
With long life will I satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be;
World without end. Amen. ~*Antiphon.*

Prayers of Intercession and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Chip Hardwick

Hymn 836 – Abide With Me, v. 1, 3, and 4

Reflection

Rev. Nathaniel Phillips

Blessing and Charge

Postlude