

Order of Worship, October 4th, 2020 – World Communion Sunday

Opening Prayer & The Lord's Prayer (in English and Sango) – Linda Mensinger and Pelagie Toldoum

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.

Opening Song of Praise: "He Reigns!"

It's the song of the redeemed, rising from the African plain

It's the song of the forgiven drowning out the Amazon rain

The song of Asian believers filled with God's holy fire

It's every tribe, every tongue, every nation – a love song born of a grateful choir

(Chorus) It's all God's children singing glory, glory,

Hallelujah – He reigns, He reigns!

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Let it rise above the four winds, caught up in the heavenly sound

Let praises echo from the towers of cathedrals, to the faithful gathered underground

Of all the songs sung from the dawn of creation some were meant to persist

Of all the bells rung from a thousand steeples, none rings truer than this!

(Chorus 2x)

And all the powers of darkness tremble at what they've just heard

'Cause all the powers of darkness can't drown out a single word...

When all God's children sing out...

(Chorus)

(Repeat)

Prayer of Confession (I John 1)

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us, but if we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Assurance of Forgiveness:

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father: Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Song of Response: "You Said"

You said, "ask and you will receive – whatever you need"

You said, "pray and I'll hear from heaven, and I'll heal your land"

You said your glory will fill the earth, like water the sea

You said, "lift up your eyes; the harvest is here, the kingdom is near!"

(Chorus) You said, "ask and I'll give the nations to you"

Oh Lord, that's the cry of my heart!

Distant shores and the islands will see your light, as it rises on us!

You said, your glory will fill the earth, like water the sea

You said, "Lift up your eyes the harvest is here, the kingdom is near"

(Chorus)

Oh, Lord, I ask for the nations.

Oh, Lord, I ask for the nation.

(repeat)

Message for Children

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 4:1-11. Message: "Who is This Man? *Temptation*"

Invitation to the Table

Hymn of Preparation: "He is Here"

He is here, he is here, he is moving among us.

He is here, he is here as we gather in his name.

He is here, he is here, and he wants to work a wonder.

He is here as we gather in his name.

He is Lord, he is Lord, let us worship before him.
He is Lord, he is Lord, as we gather in his name.
He is Lord, he is Lord, let us praise and adore him,
Yesterday, and today, and forevermore the same.

Sharing the Lord's Supper

Closing Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation"

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the Word.
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with the God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Benediction