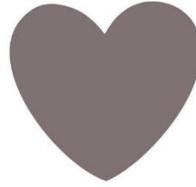




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Love walked in. . .

Celebration of Worship
Sixth Annual Jazz Service
Sunday, June 21, 2020
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Words of Welcome

Dr. Lee Wright

Chime

Introit

Come Sunday

Duke Ellington

Herb Smith, trumpet, Sean Conlon, bass

Matt Bevin-Perkins, drums, Alan Jones, piano and vocals

Cindy Miller, vocals, Lee Wright, vocals and violin

*Call to Worship

One: Thank you God for coming to us in Jesus, who says "I will not leave you orphaned" and "Lo, I am with you always" and "when you cared for the least of these, you cared for me."

Many: **With every step, and every breath, O God, we are blessed by your grace. Let your Spirit sweep over the face of our souls so that we may be part of your love song to all creation—no one left out, all gathered in.**

*Hymn

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

NEGRO SPIRITUAL

1 I want Jesus to walk with me;
I want Jesus to walk with me;
all along my pilgrim journey,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

2 In my trials, Lord, walk with me;
in my trials, Lord, walk with me;
when my heart is almost breaking,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

3 When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;
when my head is bowed in sorrow,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

*Centering Prayer (unison)

We bring to you, O God, our fears and uncertainty about finding our way to a deeper awareness and love. Yet you meet us with compassion wherever we are on the journey. You come to us in Jesus to ease our fears, deepen our courage, and open the door into healing and peace. We give thanks that in Christ's transforming love, we become new beings altogether. As we seek your presence in these days, help us to walk boldly with you, daring to love as you do, attuning with your Spirit at work within us to do far more than we could ever ask or imagine . Amen.

Music for Reflection Love Walked In George and Ira Gershwin

*"Nothing seemed to matter any more, didn't care what I was headed for,
Time was standing still, no one counted till there came a knocking at the door,*

Love walked right in and drove the shadows away;

Love walked right in and brought my sunniest day;

One magic moment, and my heart seemed to know that love said "Hello!"

Though not a word was spoken.

One look and I forgot the gloom of the past; one look and I had found my future at last,

One look and I had found a world completely new, when love walked in... with you."

First Reading

John 1:1-4, 14, 16

Music for Reflection Zing! Went the Strings of My Heart James F. Hanley

"Never could carry a tune, never knew where to start,

You came along when everything was wrong and put a song in my heart.

God, when you smiled at me, I heard a melody; it haunted me from the start.

Something inside of me started a symphony; Zing! Went the strings of my heart.

'Twas like a breath of spring, I heard a robin sing about our home in God's heart.

All nature seemed to be in perfect harmony; Zing! Went the strings of my heart.

Your eyes made skies seem blue again; what else could I do again

But keep repeating through and through "I love you, love you."

I still recall the thrill, I guess I always will; I hope 'twill never depart.

God, with your hand in mine, a rhapsody divine,

Zing! Went the strings of my heart"

Second Reading

Psalm 8

Trans. Nan C. Merrill

Meditation

Rev. Youngdahl

Music for Reflection

I Am Loved

Cole Porter

*"I am loved, I am loved by the one I love in every way.
I am loved, absolutely loved.
What a wonderful thing to be able to say.
I'm adored, I'm adored by the one who first led my heart to say,
I'm adored, absolutely adored.
What a wonderful thing to be able to say.
So ring out the bells, and let the trumpets blow,
And beat on the drums, for now I know, I know.
I am loved, I am loved.
What a wonderful thing, what a glorious thing
What a beautiful thing, to be able to say."*

Prayers of Healing and Transformation

Prayer of Jesus

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Spirit 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 Spirit, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn

The Lord Is Blessing Me Right Now

Gospel Song

**"The Lord is blessing me right now, Oh, right now!
The Lord is blessing me right now, Oh, right now!
He woke me up this morning, and started me on my way;
The Lord is blessing me right now!"**

*Benediction

Postlude

Seasons of Love

Jonathan D. Larson

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