



September 27, 2020

Biblical Equality

Silent Meditation

Organ Prelude

How Gentle God's Commands

Welcome to Worship

One: Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey,

ALL: We welcome you here.

Opening Comments

Ringing of the Bell

Call to Worship

One: Jesus asks, ""Are you envious because I am generous?"

ALL: We think, "What a silly question, of course not!"

One: Jesus also said, "So the last will be first and the first will be last."

ALL: We respond, "Just what in the world do you mean by that ridiculous saying?"

One: Have you heard of privilege and expectations?

ALL: Of course, but they do not define me.

One: Like the workers in the field of our scripture today we question the equality of Jesus' actions.

ALL: I am not so sure that I question those things.

One: Listen, Jesus generously loves us and cares for us equally, whether we are the first or the last.

ALL: Aha! and in the Kingdom of God we will each be privileged.

None first, none last.

Thanks be to God.

Centering Instrumental Song *Aria* *George F. Handel*

Scripture *Matthew 20:1-16*

Reflection *“Biblical Equality”* *Rev. Marijke Rossi*

Reflecting Instrumental Song *Andante* *Karl Heinrich Zöllner*

Children’s Time *Vineyards, Gardens, & Grapevines* *Rev. Chelsea Page*

Closing Song *“Together We’re Strong”* *Tracey Howe Wispelwey*
(from the 2020 National Youth Event)

Live Service

Call to Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the Community

(If you would like to offer a prayer of gratitude or concern for someone or some situation please comment when you join the live service. Please use first names for security. The congregation will respond to each prayerful offering with the following words:

“Together with God, we hear your prayers.”

Pastoral Prayer

Jesus Prayer

***Our Creator who is in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name,
Your reign come, Your 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 Yours is the reign, the power, and glory for ever. Amen.***

↑Words of Mission and Benediction



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Participants in Worship:

Reader: Shesh Tipton, Children's Chat: Chelsea Page
Music: Matt Mortensen, Scott Blackhurst and Eric Richards

PRAYER REQUESTS

The following are offered for your prayers both this morning and as you pray this week at home:

- **Prayers of strength and comfort for all those who live in fear of violence.**
- **Prayers of support and gratitude for our community of caregivers.**
- **Prayers of healing for all who are facing health issues**