

MAYFLOWER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
A SERVICE OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, June 19, 2022, 10:30 a.m.
Second Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome and Greeting

Prelude: "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" (Carl G. Glaser, arr. Cindy Berry)

Opening Sentences

Hymn 380: "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Opening Prayer

Special Music: "O Love" (Elaine Hagenberg)

Giving and Receiving of Our Gifts

Doxology (Hymn 563)

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

New Testament Reading: Luke 8:26-39

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me'—for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Sermon: "THE GOSPEL AND MENTAL ILLNESS"

Hymn 289: "Help Us Accept Each Other"

Benediction

Benediction Response 153: "Siyahamba / We Are Marching"

We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching, Oo, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching, Oo, we are marching in the light of God. We are dancing. . . We are singing. . .

Greet One Another

Today's Participants: Pastor Mark and DeeAnn McCormick, Barb and Jerry Fuller, Roger Kennedy

1. Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, Let me to Thy
 2. Oth - er ref - uge have I none; Hangs my help - less
 3. Plen - teous grace with Thee is found, Grace to cov - er

bos - om fly, While the near - er wa - ters roll,
 soul on Thee; Leave, ah! leave me not a - lone,
 all my sin; Let the heal - ing streams a - bound,

While the tem - pest still is high; Hide me, O my
 Still sup - port and com - fort me. All my trust on
 Make and keep me pure with - in. Thou of life the

Sav - ior, hide, Till the storm of life is past;
 Thee is stayed, All my help from Thee I bring;
 foun - tain art, Free - ly let me take of Thee;

GOD'S COVENANT PEOPLE

Safe in - to the ha - ven guide,
Cov - er my de - fense - less head
Spring Thou up with - in my heart,

O re - ceive my soul at last!
With the shad - ow of Thy wing.
Rise to all e - ter - ni - ty. A - men.

I Thank You, Jesus, that You are the lover of my soul. The nature and extent of Your love is large enough to encompass the universe, the world, and all of time, but You are the lover of “my” soul. The psalmist looks at the stars and wonders, “What are mortals that You are mindful of them?”—and yet You are mindful. I think of all of the people in the world—six billion stars populating the galaxy of humanity—and stand in awe that You love me personally—me, so ordinary; me, so conflicted; me, so “me.”

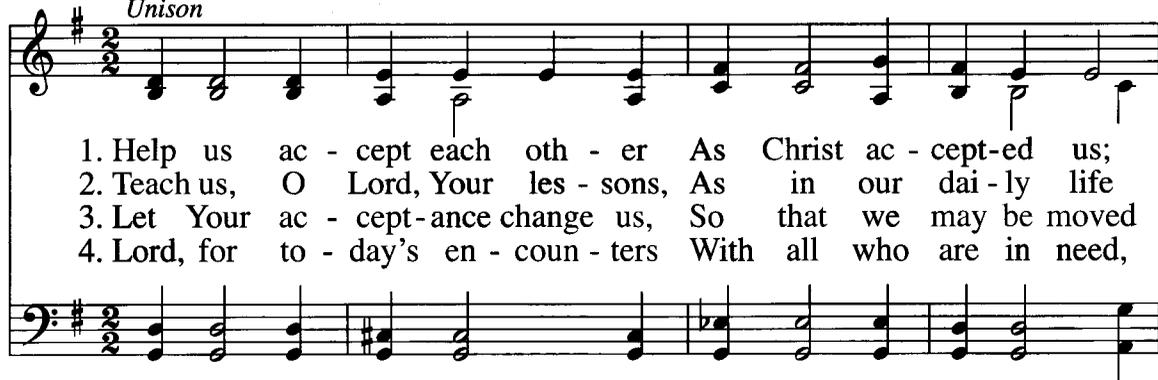
Is it true that if I were the only person in the world, You would have died for me? Can I insert my name into John 3:16, “For God so loved _____?” Thank You for the truth proclaimed in this song, reflected by Your Incarnation and timelessly expressed in Your Word: that I am loved—personally. Help me, by Your Spirit, to respond to this love, to live in it, and to bask in it. As it flows to me, may it flow through me. As I receive, so let me give. Your song of love is my prayer. I sing it in full voice and with all my heart—in the name of the One who is the lover of my soul. Amen.

Help Us Accept Each Other

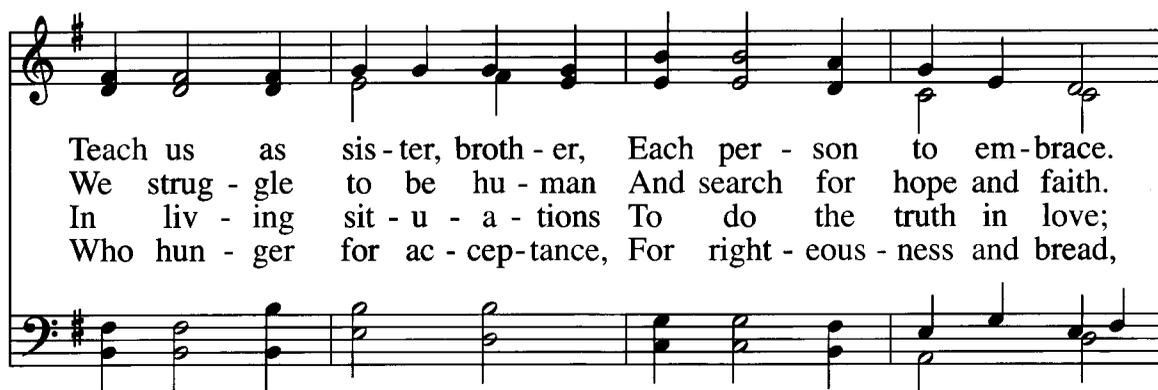
John 15:12

Fred Kaan, 1929-

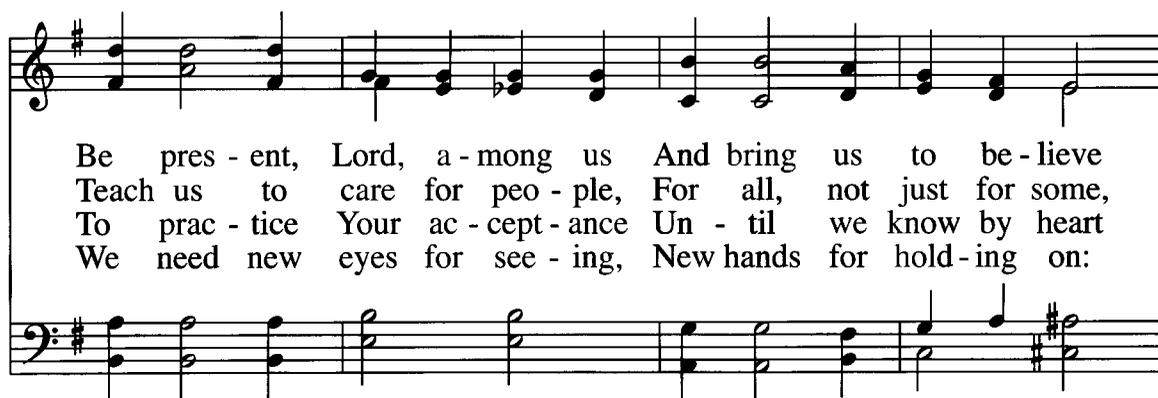
John Ness Beck, 1930-1987

Unison


1. Help us ac - cept each oth - er As Christ ac - cept-ed us;
 2. Teach us, O Lord, Your les - sons, As in our dai - ly life
 3. Let Your ac - cept-ance change us, So that we may be moved
 4. Lord, for to - day's en - coun - ters With all who are in need,



Teach us as sis - ter, broth - er, Each per - son to em - brace.
 We strug - gle to be hu - man And search for hope and faith.
 In liv - ing sit - u - a - tions To do the truth in love;
 Who hun - ger for ac - cep - tance, For right - eous - ness and bread,



Be pres - ent, Lord, a - mong us And bring us to be - lieve
 Teach us to care for peo - ple, For all, not just for some,
 To prac - tice Your ac - cept - ance Un - til we know by heart
 We need new eyes for see - ing, New hands for hold - ing on:



We are our - selves ac - cept - ed, And meant to love and live.
 To love them as we find them, Or as they may be - come.
 The ta - ble of for - give - ness, And laugh - ter's heal - ing art.
 Re - new us with Your Spir - it; Lord, free us, make us one!

Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',
We are march - ing* in the light of God,

1.

si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.
we are march - ing in the light of God.

2.

kwen - khos' of God si - ya - we are
hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - we are
march - ing in the light of the light of God, we are
kwen - khos' of God SIYAHAMBA

Alternate text: dancing, singing, praying...
Or: We are singing for the Lord is our light...

African phonetics:
See-yah-hahmb eh-koo-kah-nyen kwen-kose
See-yah-hahm-bah

