

MISSION HILLS UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
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~Souper Bowl Sunday~

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

"Thine the Amen"

– setting by Al Roberts

THE BELL

RECALLING WHY WE ARE HERE

Adapted from Psalm 91

One: Those who dwell in the shelter of Infinite Light, who abide in the wings of Infinite Love,

All: Raise your voices in praise!

One: Love's faithfulness is sure, like an arrow set upon the mark.

All: The Beloved bears us up, lest we dash our foot upon a stone.

One: When we call, Love answers to rescue us in times of trouble.

All: Dwell in Loving Presence, and God will be our Eternal Companion forever.

One: Let us worship God!

*SONG

"Let It Rise!"

Let the glory of the Lord

Rise among us

Let the glory of the Lord

Rise among us

Let the Spirit in our hearts,

Rise among us

Let it rise

Ooh ooh ooh

Let it rise

Ooh Ooh ooh___

Let it rise

Let the songs of the Lord

Rise among us

Let the songs of the Lord

Rise among us

Let the fire in our hearts,

Rise among us

Let it rise

Ooh ooh ooh

Let it rise

Ooh Ooh ooh___

Let it rise

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PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

email requests to: prayer@missionhillsucc.org

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom 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 kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

RESPONSE

"All Belong Here"

*When you're not sure who you really are
When all you feel is the shape of your scars
And you have more wounds than you can count
Open your eyes, look all around
You aren't alone, this is your home.*

*Come and remember who you are here
Do this to remember who I am
Come and remember you belong here
All belong here*

*When you don't know how to forgive
When locked doors seem like the only way to live
And you've got more questions than you can count
Open your eyes, look all around
You aren't alone, this is your home.*

*Come and remember who you are here
Do this to remember who I am
Come and remember you belong here
All belong here*

*At this table come as you are,
Broken and bleeding's ok
At this table eat and be filled
Come and drink in this grace*

*Come and remember who you are here
Do this to remember who I am
Come and remember you belong here
All belong here*

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ANTHEM

"Praise Your Holy Name"

- Keith Hampton

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*PASSING THE PEACE

*RESPONSE

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"



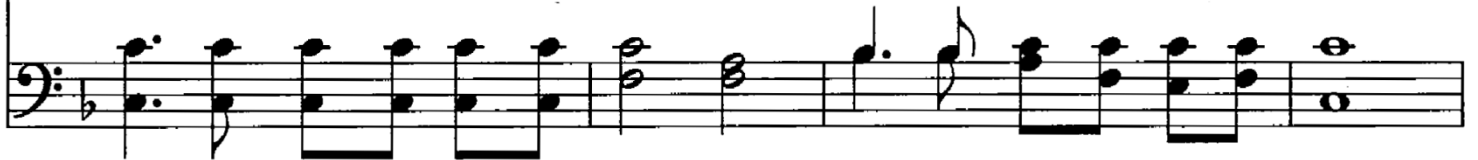
1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to our God in prayer!



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit, oh, what need - less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful, who will all our sor - rows share?



All be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer.
Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to our God in prayer!



Text by Joseph Medlicott Scriven | Tune "CONVERSE" by Charles C. Converse

THE READING FROM THE EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-43

[\(click here to follow along\)](#)

*THE READING FROM THE GOSPEL Luke 6:27-36

[\(click here to follow along\)](#)



1 In an age of twist - ed val - ues we have lost the
 2 We have built dis - crim - i - na - tion on our prej - u -
 3 When our fam - i - lies are bro - ken, when our homes are



truth we need. In so - phis - ti - cat - ed lan - guage we have
 dice and fear. Ha - tred swift - ly turns to cruel - ty if we
 full of strife, when our chil - dren are be - wil - dered, when they



jus - ti - fied our greed. By our strug - gle for pos - ses - sions
 hold re - sent - ments dear. For com - mu - ni - ties di - vid - ed
 lose their way in life, when we fail to give the a - ged



we have robbed the poor and weak. Hear our cry and
 by the walls of class and race, hear our cry and
 all the care we know they need, hear our cry and



heal our na - tion; your for - give - ness, Lord, we seek.
 heal our na - tion; show us, Lord, your love and grace.
 heal our na - tion; help us show more love, we plead.

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COMMUNITY BUILDING - Announcements

FAITH IN ACTION

Uptown Community Service Center

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

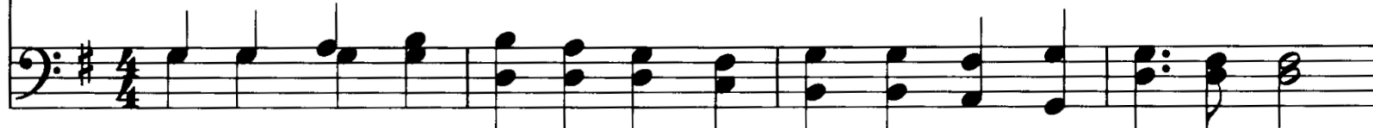
- arr by Tammy Waldrop

*SONG

"Joyful, Joyful"



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore you, God of glo - ry, God of love;
2 All your works with joy sur-round you, earth and heaven re - flect your rays,
4 Mor-tals, join the might-y cho - rus which the morn-ing stars be - gan;



Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore you, open-ing to the sun a - bove.
Stars and an - gels sing a - round you, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
Bound-less love is reign-ing o'er us, re - con - cil - ing race and clan.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the storms of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash-ing sea,
Ev - er sing-ing, move we for - ward, faith - ful in the midst of strife,



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
Chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, teach us what our praise should be.
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us on - ward in the tri - umph song of life.



Text by Henry van Dyke | Tune "Hymn to Joy" by Ludwig van Beethoven

BENEDICTION

Welcome to all worshipping with us today. If you are new to Mission Hills UCC, we invite you to fill out the blue card in the pew so we can get to know you and share more about our ministries and community life. We are a church that welcomes families with children in every aspect of our common life. During worship, child care services are available in the church nursery for those under three years of age. Baby changing tables are available in the unisex bathrooms.

<i>Pastor</i>	Rev. Dr. David Bahr
<i>Minister for Congregational Care</i>	Rev. Courtney Mys
<i>Liturgist</i>	Sunday School
<i>Director of Instrumental Music</i>	Kristopher Abels
<i>Director of Vocal Music</i>	Angelica Eclar
<i>Director of Ministry with Children and Families</i>	Artcel Ruiz
<i>Director of Ministry with Youth</i>	Fiona Case
<i>Worship Technologies Coordinator</i>	Saige Afalava
<i>Worship Technical Assistants</i>	Devin Buss & Trevor Norkowski
<i>Administrative Assistant</i>	Elizabeth Quiñones
<i>Sexton</i>	Gloria Schacht
<i>Nursery Attendants</i>	Jianna Ruiz & Amelia Norkowski
<i>ASL Interpreter</i>	Sendy Medina
<i>Trumpet</i>	Eric Bernhard
<i>Guitar/Bass</i>	Israel Maldonado
<i>Drums</i>	Matias Pizarro-Marin
<i>Percussion</i>	Larry Brunton

Mission Hills UCC - March Events

March	Mission Partner: One Great Hour of Sharing
Sunday, 3/2	Women's History Sunday
Wednesday, 3/5	Ash Wednesday Service, 12 pm, Chapel Ash Wednesday A UCC Partnership Worship Service, 5:30 pm, UCUC
Friday, 3/7	Knitting 2 Give, 10 am - 12 pm, Commons
Saturday, 3/8	Second Saturday Speaker Series, Fellowship Hall, 10 am - 12 pm
Monday, 3/10	Lenten Monday #1 - Sound Healing with Melissa Nolan, 6:30 pm - Chapel
Saturday, 3/15	All church volunteering at SD Food Bank, 12:30 - 2:30 pm
Monday, 3/17	Lenten Monday #2 - Lenten Healing Through Art and Color, 6:30 pm - Commons
Tuesday, 3/18	Feeding Mission Hills Food Distribution, 10:30 am
Thursday, 3/20	Knitting 2 Give, 2-4 pm, Commons
Monday, 3/24	Lenten Monday #3 - Healing Touch with Lisa Goodman, 6:30 pm - Chapel
Monday, 3/31	Lenten Monday #4 - History of Prayer and Anointing, 6:30 pm - Chapel

Every Week:

Sundays -	ReExamining Our Faith Book Study - 9 am - Commons
Tuesdays -	Men's Group - 6:30 pm - Commons
Thursdays -	Choir Rehearsal - 7 pm, Chapel
Saturdays -	Gentle Yoga - 9 am, Chapel

For all events, visit our online calendar: <https://missionhillsucc.org/calendar-of-events/>