



July 12, 2026

~ Pride Sunday ~

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE "Morning Has Broken" – arr. by Larry Shackley

THE BELL

RECALLING WHY WE ARE HERE

One: Come, all who hunger for a love that won't let you go,
all who have been told you don't belong. Jesus welcomes you.

**All: We come to this place where closets are broken open,
and where love needs no disguise.**

One: Come with joy and glitter, grief and tears,
with pride and protest in our bones.

**All: Here we remember the God who made us in every shade,
every gender, every orientation - and called it good.**

One: So come, family of faith.
Come proud.
Come tender.
Come as you are.

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PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.**

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*PASSING THE PEACE

*RESPONSE "Love Astounding" [page 6](#)

*THE READING FROM THE GOSPEL Matthew 13:24-30 ([click here to follow along](#))

THE READING FROM THE EPISTLE Romans 8:35-39 ([click here to follow along](#))

SERMON "Respectable"

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COMMUNITY LIFE

INSTALLATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

AFFIRMATION

All: We gather in celebration of the joy that is ours to be partners with you in the service of Jesus Christ. We promise to love you, honor your leadership, and assist you that together we may be a faithful church of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

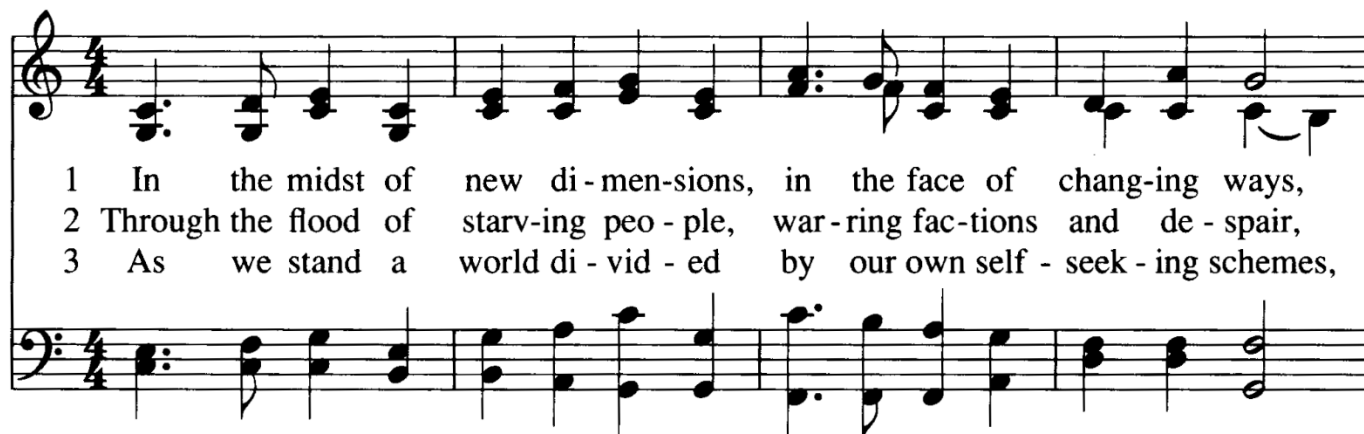
OFFERTORY

"Come, Christians Join to Sing"

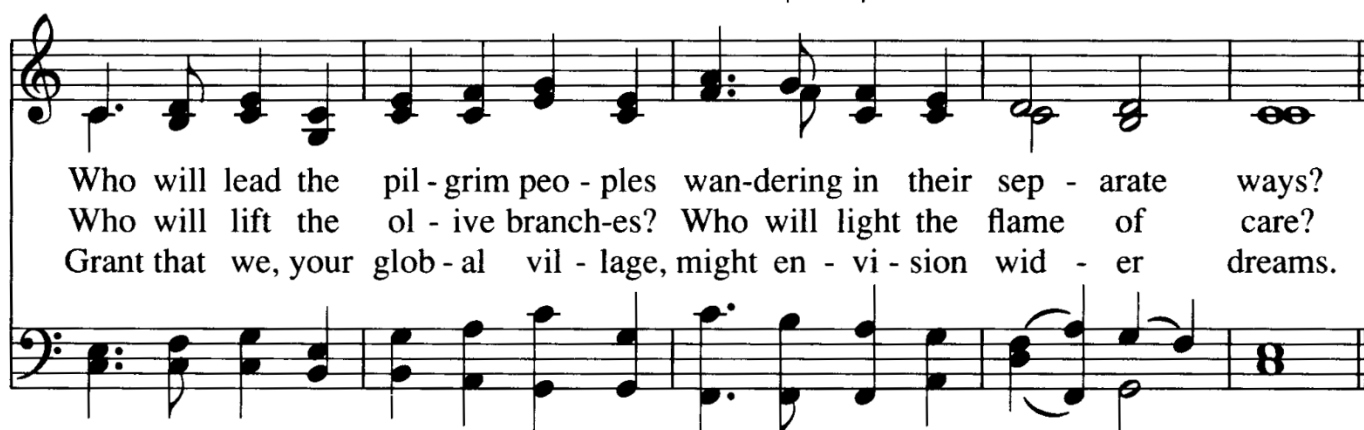
- arr by Gary Lanier

SONG

"In the Midst of New Dimension"

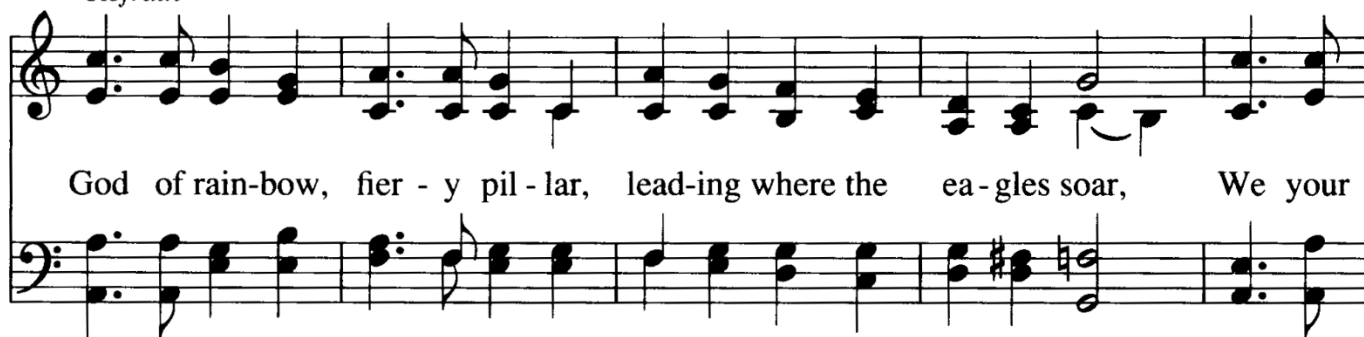


1 In the midst of new di-men-sions, in the face of chang-ing ways,
2 Through the flood of starv-ing peo - ple, war-ring fac-tions and de - spair,
3 As we stand a world di - vid - ed by our own self - seek - ing schemes,

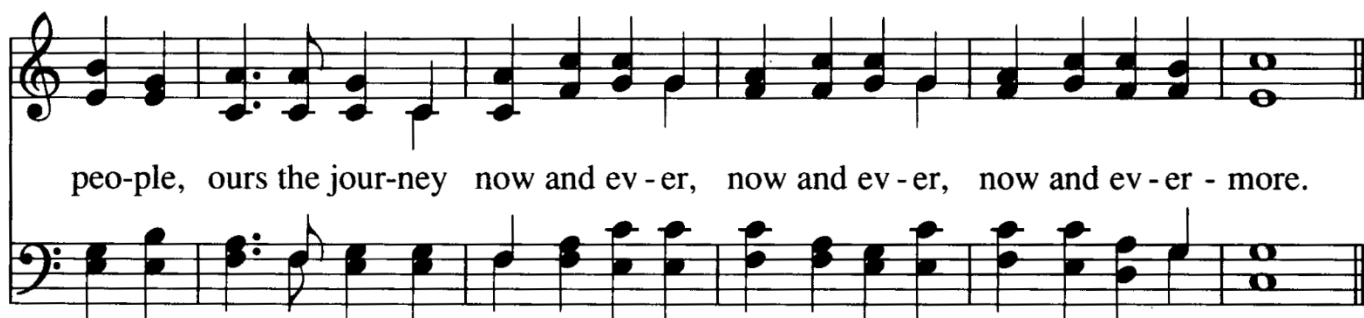


Who will lead the pil - grim peo - ples wan-dering in their sep - arate ways?
Who will lift the ol - ive branch-es? Who will light the flame of care?
Grant that we, your glob - al vil - lage, might en - vi - sion wid - er dreams.

Refrain



God of rain-bow, fier - y pil - lar, lead-ing where the ea - gles soar, We your



peo-ple, ours the jour-ney now and ev - er, now and ev - er, now and ev - er - more.

*BENEDICTION

*AFFIRMATION "O May the Peace of God"

O may the peace of God be
with you ev - er more, and may the pow'r of God's great love your
soul a - gain - re - store. And may you al - ways know God's
ne - ver - end - ing - care, and feel God's gra - cious
Spi - rit u - pon you ev - 'ry - where

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POSTLUDE

Pastor
Minister for Congregational Care
Director of Worship and Music
Associate Director of Music
Interim Children's Ministry Coordinator
Director of Ministry with Youth
Director of Marketing
Young Adult Ministry Coordinator / Liturgist
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Worship Technical Assistant
Songleader
Saxophone
Administrative Assistant
Sexton
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Zoe Merrick
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Trevor Norkowski
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Saige Afalava
Devin Buss
Tom Tipps
Andrew Bowen-Ataide
Elizabeth Quiñones
Gloria Schacht
Jianna Ruiz & Amelia Norkowski
Melissa Smith

"Gather Us In"



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys - t'ry, we are the old who
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con - fin - ing, not in some heav - en,



van - ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
yearn for your face; we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry,
light years a - way— here in this place the new light is shin - ing,



brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.
now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath-er us in, the
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty, gath-er us in, the
Gath-er us in and hold us for - ev - er, gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low - ly,
make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo - ples to - geth - er,



we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.
fire . . of love in our flesh and our bone.

"When Peace Like a River"

When peace, like a riv - er, up - holds me each day, when

sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, What - ev - er my lot, you have

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taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul." It is

well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.
It is well with my soul.

Text by Horatio Gates Spafford
Tune "VILLE DU HAVRE" by Philip Bliss

“Love Astounding”

1. Love a - stound - ing, Love con - found - ing_ lim - its_ fear - ful minds im - pose.
2. Love re - ceiv - ing Love be - liev - ing, we re - joice with thanks and song,

Love re - new - ing, Love pur - su - ing_ ev - ery_ heart un - til it knows
faith re - gain - ing, hope pro - claim - ing; Love has_ taught us, we be - long

Love's trans - form - ing, heal - ing_ good - ness, Love's a - bid - ing gen - tle_ grace,
safe with - in Love's ten - der_ keep - ing, safe from fear's per - sis - tent_ call.

Love's en - dur - ance, Love's as - sur - ance, Love's con - sol - ing strong em - brace.
Love de - fend - ing, Love un - end - ing, Love of_ God en - fold - ing all.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, key of D major. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are arranged in two columns for each system, corresponding to the two parts of the first system. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

Text by Jeannette Lindholm
Tune “HOLY MANNA” by William Moore
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“Jesus, You Have Truly Called Us”



1 Je - sus, you have tru - ly called us. Still, to - day, we hear your
 2 Je - sus, save us from poor choic - es. Ha-tred, run - ning like a
 3 Je - sus, save us from our weak - ness, from de - ceit and from de -



voice. Lead us on - ward, lead us up - ward, till all peo - ple can re -
 thread through the fab - ric of our his - t'ry, mars our faith and leaves us
 spair. Move us on to new cre - a - tion in a world that's free and

Refrain



joice.
 dead. Meet us in our time of tri - al, fill us with your Spir - it's
 fair.



power. As we stand be - fore op-pres - sion, give us cour - age for this hour.

Text by Daniel Charles Damon | Tune “BEACH SPRING” (attributed to): B. F. White | © 2014 Hope Publishing Company

Mission Hills UCC - Upcoming Events

July	
Wednesday, 7/15	Interfaith Pride Service, 7:00 pm, St. Paul's Cathedral
Thursday, 7/16	Knitting 2 Give, 2 pm - 4 pm, Commons
Friday, 7/17	Summer Concert Series, 6-8 pm, Pioneer Park
Saturday, 7/18	Pride Parade
Sunday, 7/19	Worship with Partnership Churches, www.sandiegoucc.org
Tuesday, 7/21	Feeding Mission Hills Food Distribution, volunteers needed 9-11 am
Friday, 7/24	Summer Concert Series, 6-8 pm, Pioneer Park
Sunday, 7/26	Worship in Fellowship Hall
Friday, 7/31	Summer Concert Series, 6-8 pm, Pioneer Park
August	
Saturday, August 1	Summer Soiree, 6 - 8 pm, Fellowship Hall

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

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**ALL PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT
MISSION HILLS YOUNG MUSICIANS**

SUGGESTED DONATION \$25, KIDS 12 AND UNDER – FREE