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GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*please stand as you are able

PRELUDE:

***INTROIT:** Come, We That Love Robert S. Lowry

***WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE:**

Let our hospitality towards each other reflect God's love.
The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

REFLECTIVE MUSIC # 951: Santo, Santo, Santo

Santo, Santo, Santo! Mi corazón te adora!
Mi corazón te sabe decir: Santo eres Dios!

Holy, holy, holy! My heart, my heart adores you!
My heart is glad to say the words: You are holy God

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Creator of all, Sustainer of all, Saviour of all,

Your glory and majesty

are beyond our understanding,

Your power too awesome to behold.

And yet your love enfolds us as a gentle breeze.

Saviour of all, Sustainer of all, Creator of all,

We bless your holy name

PRAYER OF APPROACH:

Creator of all things,

Alpha and Omega, Beginning and End,

Whose love poured out mends broken hearts.

Whose wounded hands reach out to all.

Whose Spirit waits to enter in.

You are the everything that we desire.

Be with us now.

Bless us that we might be

a blessing to others.

AMEN

***HYMN # 602: Blest Be the Tie that Binds**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Holy God,
You call us to follow
and our footsteps falter,
reach out your hand
and we treat you as stranger,
whisper our name
and we simply ignore you.
Gracious God,
slow to anger, swift to bless,
forgive us, restore us.
Grant us hearts that stand firm,
a faith that is strong
and a hope that endures. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

In Christ, God says to us, "Arise, shine, for your light is come."
In Christ, God says to us, "Love one another as I have loved you."
In Christ, God says to us, "Your sins are forgiven you."
Thanks be to God for love and hope!

CHILDREN'S TIME

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY

***OFFERTORY HYMN #218 vs. 1**

We Praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name, glad praises we bring.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

***HYMN # 624: Give to Us Laughter**

GOD'S WORD FOR US TODAY

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION:

Eternal God,
In the reading of scripture, may your Word be heard;

**In the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known;
In the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Micah 6:1 - 8

The Word of the Lord – **Thanks be to God.**

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SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:1 - 12

The Word of the Lord – **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM:

Let My Spirit Always Sing

Jane Marshall

SERMON:

***HYMN # 697: O for a World**

GOING FORTH TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN # 633: Bless O God the Journey**

PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE

Holy God, Dreamer of dreams,

We offer Cochrane Street United Church to you. We are your people, this is your church. We come to you seeking your guidance, your purpose, your vision. Align our will with yours, so that we will be willing to do whatever it takes to carry out your plan. We ask you to break through in new ways in our church. Show us the great ministry you have in store for us. Help us dream your dreams. Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, giving us the vision, boldness, and confidence to do all that you call us to do. Amen.

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION:

Send Me, Lord

trad. South African

POSTLUDE