



LA JOLLA
UNITED METHODIST

Power in Peace

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WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

Gathering Music

Adagio in Ab

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Call to Worship

One: We believe God will save us in times of trouble.

All: We believe. Help our unbelief.

One: We know that God has saved us in the past, tending and helping us along the way.

All: We know what God has done for us. Help us when we forget.

One: We call on God's power when we feel powerless to respond, believing and knowing that God will save.

All: We believe and we know that God will answer when we call.

One: God, open our hearts today to encounter your love that acts with us and through us to bring flourishing to all of your creation.

All: We come today to enter the dance of the Trinity, who is all-powerful to save. Amen.

Introit

Peace for the Children

W & S 3125

Welcome

† **Opening Hymn**

Lift Every Voice and Sing

UMH 519

1. Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring,
ring with the harmonies of liberty;
let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies,
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
let us march on till victory is won.

2. Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,
felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet
come to the place for which our fathers sighed?

We have come over a way that with tears has been watered;
we have come, treading our path thru the blood of the slaughtered,
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

3. God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,
keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;
lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;
shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand,
true to our God, true to our native land.

Blessing for Young Hearts

Prayers of the People

*A Pastor will begin a time of prayer and name those for whom our congregation is praying.
Online Worshipers may type prayer requests in the Live Chat, taking care for privacy.*

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us, not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer Response

Bind Us Together

TFWS 2226

WE HEAR OF THE LOVE OF CHRIST

Scripture

Psalm 20 (CEB)

I pray that the Lord answers you
whenever you are in trouble.
Let the name of Jacob's God protect you.

Let God send help to you from the sanctuary
and support you from Zion.

Let God recall your many grain offerings;
let him savor your entirely burned offerings. Selah

Let God grant what is in your heart
and fulfill all your plans.

Then we will rejoice that you've been helped.
We will fly our flags in the name of our God.
Let the Lord fulfill all your requests!

Now I know that the Lord saves his anointed one;
God answers his anointed one
from his heavenly sanctuary,
answering with mighty acts of salvation
achieved by his strong hand.

Some people trust in chariots, others in horses;
but we praise the Lord's name.

They will collapse and fall,
but we will stand up straight and strong.

Lord, save the king!
Let him answer us when we cry out!

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen

Anthem

Put a Little Love in Your Heart

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Message

Power in Peace

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WE RESPOND TO THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

Response to the Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

Faith of Our Fathers

Hemy and Walton
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† **Doxology**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

Prayer of Confession

All: Triune God, We confess that we don't always like the way your power works. We say we desire for your kin-dom to come, and yet, we forget to listen to your voice calling us to work for the flourishing of our neighbors. Forgive us, Holy Trinity, and free us to cooperate with you in the work of salvation for ourselves, our community, and all of creation. Amen.

One: Happy are we, holy people, when we walk in the ways of our God. Happy are we, beloved ones, as we receive God's forgiveness. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

WE FOLLOW CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

† **Closing Hymn**

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

UMH 557

1. Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
2. Before our Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.
3. We share each other's woes, our mutual burdens bear;
and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.
4. When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

† **Benediction**

Postlude

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