

# Contemporary Worship

June 7, 2026

*Time after Pentecost*

*Lectionary 10*

## GATHERING MUSIC

*Let Everything (Praise the Lord)*  
– Smith/Bashta/Ingram/Barrett/Feucht

*Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.  
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord, praise the Lord.  
With all of my heart, with all of my strength, with all that I have,  
I will sing. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.*

*There is a river that flows unrestrained from Your heart,  
Canyons of mercy so deep I could never depart.  
Father, Your wonders are endless.  
Open my eyes to believe. Awake my soul.*

*Morning by morning, Your faithfulness shines like the sun.  
Heaven's on fire, alive with the brilliance of love.  
Father, Your wonders are endless.  
Open my eyes to believe. Awake my soul.*

## WELCOME

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Assembly: **And also with you.**

## OPENING SONG \*

*Step by Step*

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise You.  
O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise You.  
I will seek You in the morning,  
And I will learn to walk in Your ways,  
And step by step You'll lead me,  
And I will follow You all of my days.

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## FIRST READING

Genesis 12:1-9

*God's call of Abram and Sarai has a clear purpose—that through them all the families of the earth would gain a blessing. As they set out on their journey they are accompanied by promises of land, nation, and a great reputation. As they journey, they inaugurate sacrificial worship at every stopping point.*

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

<sup>4</sup>So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. <sup>5</sup>Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother’s son Lot and all the possessions that they had gathered and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran, and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, <sup>6</sup>Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. <sup>7</sup>Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. <sup>8</sup>From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east, and there he built an altar to the LORD and invoked the name of the LORD. <sup>9</sup>And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

## SONG \*

*Step by Step*

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## HOLY GOSPEL \*

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

*Jesus demonstrates God's mercy and power, accepting the unacceptable and curing the incurable. Even the dead receive new life.*

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the ninth chapter.

**Assembly: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>9</sup> As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

<sup>10</sup> And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. <sup>11</sup> When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" <sup>12</sup> But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup> Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."

<sup>18</sup> While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live."

<sup>19</sup> And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup> Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, <sup>21</sup> for she was saying to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." <sup>22</sup> Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And the woman was made well from that moment. <sup>23</sup> When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, <sup>24</sup> he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. <sup>25</sup> But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. <sup>26</sup> And the report of this spread through all of that district.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

**Assembly: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

SONG \*

Will You Come and Follow Me (The Summons)



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call  
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't  
 your name? Will you care for cruel and  
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



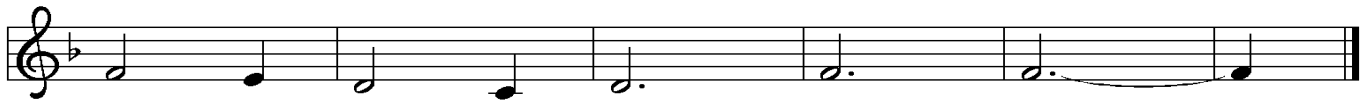
know and nev - er be the same?  
 kind and nev - er be the same?  
 free and nev - er be the same?  
 side and nev - er be the same?  
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be  
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
 pray'r in you and you in me?"  
 mean in you and you in me?"  
 sound in you and you in me?"  
 grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell, b. 1949

Music: KELVINGROVE, Scottish traditional

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## **PRAYERS \***

*The assembly responds to each petition ending in “God of grace,”*

**Assembly: hear our prayer.**

*The assembly responds to the final petition ending with “through Jesus our Savior.”*

**Assembly: Amen.**

## **PEACE \***

**Leader:** The peace of the Lord be with you always!

**Assembly: And also with you!**

*The assembly greets each other with  
“peace be with you...and also with you.”*

*You’re invited to share God’s peace with those around you.*

*If you’re worshipping on Facebook, you may also greet one another in the comments.*

## **OFFERING**

*I Will Follow – Tomlin/Ingram/Morgan*

*As we respond to hearing God’s Word and prepare to feast at God’s table we contemplate the many ways we serve the Kingdom of God through our time, talents, and gifts.*

*Offering plates are available at each entrance to the sanctuary and the QR code below can be used to give our tithes and offering.*



*Where You, go I'll go, where You stay, I'll stay.  
When You move, I'll move. I will follow.*

*All Your ways are good. All Your ways are sure.  
I will trust in You alone.  
Higher than my sight, high above my life,  
I will trust in You alone.*

*Where You go, I'll go. Where You stay, I'll stay.  
When You move, I'll move, I will follow You.  
Whom You love, I'll love, How You serve, I'll serve.  
If this life I lose, I will follow You. I will follow You.*

*Light into the world, light into my life,  
I will live for You alone.  
You're the One I seek, knowing I will find  
All I need in You alone, in You alone.*

*In You there's life everlasting. In You there's freedom for my soul.  
In You there's joy unending joy, and I will follow.*

## **CONFESSION \***

Leader: Merciful God,  
we confess that we have not always trusted your promises  
or followed your call.

When we choose fear instead of faith,  
**Assembly: forgive us and lead us forward.**

Leader: When we judge others instead of showing mercy,  
**Assembly: forgive us and teach us to love.**

Leader: When we need healing, hope, and new life,  
**Assembly: remind us to seek renewal in You.**  
**Amen.**

## **WORDS OF FORGIVENESS \***

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION \***

## **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 and ever. Amen.**

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

*All those who confess Jesus as Lord and Savior are welcome to the table.*

*We invite you to come forward to receive the communion elements from the servers.*

*You will be handed a wafer from the server and are invited to select a cup of wine from the tray.*

*Pre-packaged elements of grape juice and gluten free wafers are available  
in the baskets at the communion rail and at each entrance to the sanctuary.*

*You may partake of the elements at the communion rail and dispose of the cups and packaging in the baskets  
at the end of each communion rail or take the elements back to your pew to partake of them and dispose of  
the cups and packaging after the service.*

*"Bread from the Lord's Table" and/or a pastoral blessing are available for children who do not yet commune.*

Pastor:       The table is prepared.  
                  Come, share in the feast!

*As you are served communion:*

Communion Server:   The body of Christ, given for you.  
                                  The blood of Christ, shed for you  
Communion Receiver: Amen.

# Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"

## *Refrain*



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Text: Daniel L. Schutte, b. 1946

Music: HERE I AM, LORD, Daniel L. Schutte

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## **POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

Leader: The body and blood of the risen Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace,  
now and forever.

**Assembly: Amen.**

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONNECTION & SERVICE**

### **BLESSING \***

Leader: God who called Abram into a new future,  
Christ who called Matthew to follow,  
and the Holy Spirit who strengthens you for the journey,  
bless you and keep you in faith, hope, and love,  
now and forever.

**Assembly: Amen.**

### **SONG \***

*As We Go*

As we go, may Your Spirit go before us.  
As we go, may we follow where You lead.  
May we live what we have learned,  
Share the message we have heard,  
And be a light unto the world as we go.

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### **DISMISSAL \***

Leader: Go in peace.  
Follow where Christ leads.

**Assembly: Thanks be to God.**

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