

WELCOME + OPENING PRAYER Pr. Lauren Dow Wegner

SONG

We Will Run

Create in me a clean heart, a clean heart
For I have turned my face from You
Save us from our ways oh God, oh God
For we have turned away from You
Lord have mercy

We will run to you, we will run to you
Turning from our sin we return to You
Father heal your world, make all things new
Make all things new

Your love and mercy build and shape us
Break down and recreate us now
Lord have mercy

We will run to you, we will run to you
Turning from our sin we return to You
Father heal your world, make all things new
Make all things new (repeat)

Oh, bring us back to you
Oh, bring us back to you
Oh, bring us back to you
Oh, bring us back to you

SCRIPTURE READING...ISAIAH 43:1-5A (NRSV)

Read by: Justin Stephens

But now thus says the Lord,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.

2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.

3 For I am the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.

I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

4 Because you are precious in my sight,
and honoured, and I love you,

I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.

5 Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you;

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God, giver of life, you intend for humans to live together in peace. In this time of grief over gun violence, we pray for your presence among us. That, trusting in your mighty and gentle healing, we may live in hope, we pray:

All: make us instruments of your peace.

God of resurrection, we remember before you those who have died, the 19 children & 2 teachers at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde. . .those who died at the Tops Grocery Store in Buffalo, New York. . .those who died in other recent and long ago violent and terrifying acts. We commend them to your eternal love. Grant healing and wholeness to

the survivors who are wounded or traumatized, and restore all whose spirits are maimed by such violence. That we may serve as your arms of care to those in distress, we pray:

All: make us instruments of your peace.

God of righteousness, you have laid on our elected leaders the responsibility to protect our land. Strengthen their devotion to our common life, and guide legislators to enact policies that address our plague of gun violence. That our government may support our search for domestic harmony, we pray:

All: make us instruments of your peace.

God of compassion, we give you thanks for first responders, for police officers, firefighters, EMTs, and all who offer compassionate aid in situations of tragedy. Keep them safe from harm, and give them courage and sound judgment as they act. That we may join in support of those who risk their lives for others, we pray:

All: make us instruments of your peace.

God of forgiveness, we ask your mercy on the ones who have fired the weapons. With your grace, transform those who from malice or illness inflict violence on others. Console their families. Believing in your power to make all things new, we pray:

All: make us instruments of your peace.

God of the promise in word and sacrament, we pray for the church. Give us a voice, your voice, to plead for a society marked by justice and sustained by cooperation among diverse peoples. Train us to resist the lure of brute force. That by your Spirit we may become words and signs of your mercy, we pray:

All: make us instruments of your peace.

God of true might and redemptive mercy, receive our prayers, and grant us to become your instruments of peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

SONG

Psalm 126

Our mouths they were filled, filled with laughter

Our tongues they were loosed, loosed with joy

Restore us, O Lord

Restore us, O Lord

Although we are weeping

Lord, help us keep sowing

The seeds of Your Kingdom

For the day You will reap them

Your sheaves we will carry

Lord, please do not tarry

All those who sow weeping will go out with songs of joy

The nations will say, "He has done great things!"

The nations will sing songs of joy

Restore us, O Lord

Restore us, O Lord

PRAYER silent or spoken, candle lighting

(PL closes with:

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.)

SONG

Christ Be All Around Me

As I rise, strength of God
Go before, lift me up
As I wake, eyes of God
Look upon, be my sight

As I wait, heart of God
Satisfy and sustain
As I hear, voice of God
Lead me on, be my guide
Be my guide

Above and below me
Before and behind me
In every eye that sees me
Christ be all around me (repeat)

As I go, Hand of God
My defense, by my side
And as I rest, breath of God
Fall upon, bring me peace
Bring me peace

Above and below me
Before and behind me
In every eye that sees me
Christ be all around me (repeat)

Your life, Your death
Your blood was shed
For every moment
Every moment (repeat)

Above and below me
Before and behind me
In every eye that sees me
Christ be all around me (repeat)

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God who carries our burdens and gives us rest,
God in whom we put our trust as you never leave us,
God who holds us in your hands:
Still our fears, calm our spirits, comfort our souls
in the name of Jesus Christ,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit,
Now and forever.

All: Amen.

Donations may be given to the SWT Synod Disaster Response Team,
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