O For A World #575

O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways, Where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved, Where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice That opens us to unity and gives our vision voice.

The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the foolish ones are wise.

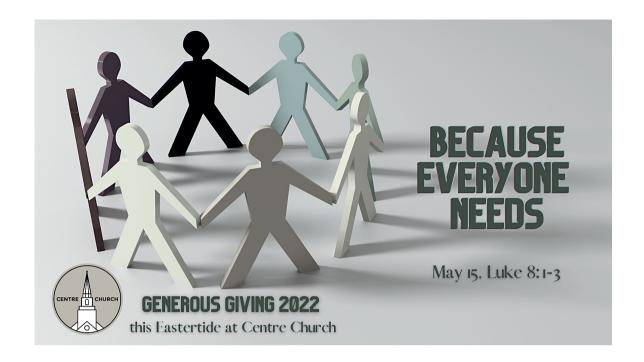
Tell all who mourn: outcasts belong, who perishes will rise.

O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace,
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

CENTRE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 10:00 AM

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May 15, 2022

Are you the marathon runner or the sign holder, the high-fiver, or victory banquet chef?

WE GATHER Prelude

Lord, Have Mercy Broughton

Welcome and Announcements

We Cross the Threshold

Supporting Roles

What Gift Can We Bring? #370 vs. 1 & 2

What gift can we bring, what present, what token? What words can convey it, the joy of this day? When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing, what song can we offer in honor and praise?

Give thanks for the past, for those who had vision, who planted and watered so dreams could come true. Give thanks for the now, for study, for worship, for mission that bids us turn prayer into deed.

Community of Christ #314

Community of Christ,
who make the cross your own,
live out your creed and risk your life for God alone:
The God who wears your face,
to whom all worlds belong,
whose children are of every race and every song.

Community of Christ,
look past the church's door
and see the refugee, the hungry, and the poor.
Take hands with the oppressed,
the jobless in your street,
take towel and water, that you wash
your neighbor's feet.

Community of Christ,
through whom the work must sound
cry out for justice and for peace
the whole world 'round:
Disarm the powers that war and all that can destroy,
turn bombs to bread and tears of anguish into joy.

When menace melts away, so shall God's will be done, the climate of the world be peace and Christ it's Sun; Our currency be love and kindliness our law, our food and faith be shared as one forevermore.

^{*}stand as you are able

Generous Giving 2022 "Because Everyone Needs"

This week we notice the many hands, many gifts, many lives that made Jesus' ministry possible. When we imagine what is ours to do in the world, either individually or collectively, it helps if we remember that every role, whether starring or supporting, as equally vital.

This week, you are invited write on one of the "people" following one of the following prompts:

- What resources and gifts do you have?
- How do you share your resources and gifts?
- Can you name ways people are generous with you that help make your life possible, easier, and more fun?



Today's the day! Come out to the front lawn to join us for lunch! We'll sing along with Lynnfield's own *Ukelulus*. There will be a face painter, a balloon twister, and lawn games for all to enjoy.

Calling on God

Opening Prayer Lauren Patriquin-Muise

Let us pray together:

God of all life, today is the perfect day to praise and worship you. How grateful are we to gather as your people. May the power of your most Holy Spirit come upon us here and call forth all of our gifts. May we each find the role that is ours to play be made clear as we humbly walk in the way of Jesus, doing justice, and loving mercy. It is in his name we pray. Amen.

Opening Hymn

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WE PROCLAIM

Mini Message

"Who Cheers for You" Rev. Nancy

The Word in Music

The Gift Of Love Arr. Hopson

The Gospel

Luke 8:1-3 Lauren Patriguin-Muise

Response L: A Word of God that is still speaking,

P: Thanks be to God.

The Message

"The Women Around Jesus"

Rev. Nancy

Benediction

WE GO OUT

Postlude

Recessionale Peterson

Our ushers today are George Hayden and Bill Seelig.

The flowers on altar this morning are given in memory of a very much loved and missed dad and husband, Tony Lucia.



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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

WE GIVE GENEROUSLY

Call to the Offering

Offertory Benedictus Curry

*Hymn of Praise (unison) Tune: Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Living God, whom we adore

*Prayer of Dedication

Closing Hymn

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Worship Notes:

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