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## Worship

### Call to worship

**Rev. Gloria Ulloa, Presbyterian Church of Colombia**

We gather from the west to the east,  
from the south to the north,  
to celebrate the God of peace  
who accompanies us in our acts of peace.  
This God of peace accompanies us  
in each and every circumstance around us.  
We praise God's name! Amen!

**Opening song:** *Uyai mose (Come All You People)*  
Zimbabwean welcome song

**Glory to God #388**  
**UYAI MOSE**

**Opening prayer:** **Rev. Lydia Neshangwe, Zimbabwe**

Shona and English, adaptation of "A Non-Traditional Blessing" by Sister Ruth Fox

*Mwari wedu* (Our God who is)  
*Musiki wedu* (Our Creator God)  
*Nyadenga wedu* (Our Heavenly Father)  
Bless us with discomfort at easy answers,  
half-truths and superficial relationships.  
Bless us with anger at injustice,  
oppression and exploitation of people.  
Bless us with tears to shed  
for those who suffer from pain,  
rejection, starvation and war.  
Bless us with enough foolishness  
to believe that we can make a difference in this world.

*Muzita raBaba,*  
*nera Mwanakomana,*  
*nera Mweya Mutsvene.*

(In the name of the Father  
and the Son  
and the Holy Spirit.)

**Amen.**

**Hymn:** **This is My Song**

**Glory to God #340**  
**FINLANDIA**

**Call to confession: Armenian, Shant Agoushian, Near East School of Theology student, Union of Armenian Evangelical Churches in the Near East**

Faced with God's goodness we recognize our failings.  
In the knowledge of God's mercy,  
we dare tell the truth about ourselves and our world.  
In the confidence of God's children let us confess our sins.

**Confession: Arabic, Jameel Maher Khadir, Near East School of Theology student, Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Holy Land**

Gracious Lord, creator of this universe,  
in your generosity you have given us  
a world of abundance and diversity,  
yet we live guided by greed and selfishness.  
We confess that we have defaced your creation  
and poisoned our environment  
through our consumerist behavior and for personal gain.  
In Christ, you made us brothers and sisters  
and intended for us to be united,  
and yet we have built walls to separate us  
from those who are different from us.  
You gave us wisdom and creativity  
and we have used those to trick each other  
and to develop weapons of destruction and death.  
You gave us laws to order our lives  
and we have abused them  
to take revenge and punish our enemies.  
We love war rather than strive for peace.  
We ignore the poor and the weak  
and honored the rich and powerful.  
In all this we have not lived according to your will.  
Forgive us, Lord, for daring to boast in our human achievements  
and for failing to recognize that you alone are worthy of praise.  
In your mercy, forgive us our sins.

**Assurance of pardon: Armenian, Shant Agoushian, Near East School of Theology student, Union of Armenian Evangelical Churches in the Near East**

"God accepted us simply because of our faith in Christ,"  
through whom our sins were forgiven.  
May he help us to continue  
to "preach peace to those who are near and far." **Amen.**  
(Phil. 3:9; Eph. 2:17)

**Passing the peace**

**Prayer for illumination:** Magdaléna Trgalová, Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren

Holy Spirit, grant us openness  
and give us understanding  
of what each one of us needs to receive  
through Holy Scripture.  
When we are facing a difficult choice  
between the easy and the right decision,  
help us to choose the narrow path.  
We also pray for all  
who are about to set on an adventurous journey of faith  
anywhere in the world. **Amen.**

**Prayers of the people:**

From every place on this planet,  
we turn our face to you, O God.  
Gather us, all your people, together, to pray.  
In the midst of the forces which would separate us,  
bind us in your love as the Church, together.  
Strengthen us through the grace of your people  
gathered,  
no matter how we gather,  
with the truth of your presence.



In a world aching to be made new,  
we cry out with those who suffer the pains  
of what powers and principalities extract from the world's poorest.  
We cry out with those suffering from illness and disease,  
at whom the world turns a callous glance.  
We cry out with those stinging from the sins of white supremacy.  
We cry out with those seeking justice, equality, and peace —  
peace, at all times, in all ways.

In a world stretching toward wholeness,  
we celebrate with those whose lives bear the fruit of your Spirit  
and seek to share in your call to partnership.  
We celebrate with those whose efforts are making the world new.  
We celebrate with all who gather  
to earnestly seek your transforming work in the world.

Make us a world that grows into the shape of your communion table,  
where all are welcomed and all are fed.  
Make us a people who grow your family  
by practices of mutuality, generosity and justice.  
And may we be found to be witnesses, when Jesus returns,  
to the truth of who we were created to be —  
people who belong to each other,

people who belong to you, O God,  
in your Son, Jesus. **Amen.**

**Offertory Hymn: To My Precious Lord**

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**Korean**

**Glory to God #704**

**TO MY PRECIOUS LORD**

**Apostles' Creed** ([video](#))

**Hungarian: Anita Tóth, coordinator/head of the National Roma Ministry, Reformed Church in Hungary**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**Invitation to the Table:**

Readers in Quechua, Spanish, Portuguese, Guaraní and Tsotsil proclaim:  
This is the table to which Jesus invites us!  
Let us participate joyfully!

Song: “Água, terra, vinho e pão” (Water, soil, wine and bread — first stanza and chorus)

Lyrics and music: Daniel do Amaral, encuentro AIPRAL, Sao Paulo, 2016

Instruments: Horacio Vivares

Vocals: Pedro Alexander Barbosa Nunez

Recorded at Ciranda Músicas. From the CD “Arropándonos con esperanza” (Clothing ourselves with hope) by Red Create

God-planted seeds now germinate  
A tree of life, an orchard bearing fruit  
Such is nature, abundant life budding,  
And Jesus sets the table, invites us to dine.

Water into wine, land where bread is born,  
A people on the path of perfect communion.

### **Prayer of thanksgiving**

*A prayer of thanksgiving to God, remembrance of Jesus Christ (including the words of institution), and invocation of the Holy Spirit may be included here. The Lord's Prayer may follow.*

### **The Lord's Prayer** ([video](#))

#### **Breaking of the bread:**

We give thanks for this bread,  
fruit of the earth and hard work,  
a gift of the grace of God.  
We break it and share it,  
remembering the words and actions,  
gestures and glances,  
silences and self-offered life  
of the teacher from Nazareth.  
(Bread is broken and shared)

And we give thanks for the fruit of the vine,  
for the joy of communion,  
for alliances that endure  
in the search for justice and wholeness.  
We take the cup,  
knowing we are part of a community-people  
renewing its covenant with life.  
(The cup is filled and shared)

#### **Communion**

Song: "Ven a la mesa" (Come to the Table) by Eleazar Torreglosa, lyrics collectively adapted for World Communion Sunday 2020

Instruments: Horacio Vivares

Vocals: Loida Gáffaro de Valera

Recorded at Ciranda Músicas

#### *Refrain:*

Come to the table, Jesus invites you,  
come to the table, come.  
Bring all your worries, and your rejoicing,  
Come to the table, come.

1. The broken bread feeds us,  
It is the body of Jesus  
To unite us in his ways  
Of life and light.

2. This is the cup of joy,  
a covenant of relationship



Wellbeing that Christ offers  
To all creation

3. Each time we share  
The Lord's Supper  
We remember our commitment  
In his love.

4. Give me your hand, my siblings,  
In a sign of unity  
That we might be one single body  
In communion.

5. May justice and mercy  
Be our path  
Free from every shackle  
And life in peace

**Charge and benediction**

The Lord bless you and keep you,  
the Lord make his face shine upon you  
and be gracious to you,  
the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all from now and forevermore. **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn:** Amen siakadumisa  
Amen, We Praise Your Name  
South African

**Glory to God #598**  
**AMEN SIAKADUMISA**