

1. \*Gathering Music

W&S #3149, For Everyone Born, a Place at the Table

1. For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born, clean water and bread, a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, for everyone born, a star overhead,

*Refrain: And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace: yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!*

2. For woman and man, a place at the table, revising the roles, deciding the share, with wisdom and grace, dividing the power, for woman and man, a system that's fair, (refrain)

3. For young and for old, a place at the table, a voice to be heard, a part in the song, the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled, for young and for old, the right to belong, (refrain)

4. For just and unjust, a place at the table, abuser, abused, with need to forgive, in anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy, for just and unjust, a new way to live, (refrain)

5. For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and simply to be, to work, to speak out, to witness and worship, for everyone born, the right to be free, (refrain).

W&S #3152, Welcome

*Let's walk together for a while and ask where we begin.*

*To build a world where love can grow and hope can enter in*

*To be the hands of healing and to plant the seed of peace.*

*Singing welcome, welcome to this place. You're invited to come and know God's grace.*

*All are welcome, the love of God to share.*

*'Cause all of us are welcome here. All are welcome in this place.*

2. \*Call to Worship

**Easter people, Christ has completed the work of salvation, reconciling us to God so that we may know eternal life.**

Through Christ, we are made one with God.

**In life, death, and Resurrection, Christ guides us into eternal life with God here and now.**

Through Christ, we are made one in God.

**Through prayer and teaching, healing and serving, Christ draws us together as the people of God, diverse members of the one body.**

Through Christ, we are made one with God and one another.

So, come, let us worship God who saves us into eternal life with God and one another!

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

3. Prayer of Confession & Words of Assurance

God, we believe you have called us to unity, but often we have isolated ourselves from others. God, forgive us for the times we have turned our backs on those who are different. God, we believe you have called us to live together as one body. God, forgive us for the times we have created division within your worldwide church. God, we believe you ask us to look, listen, and learn from others. God, forgive us for the times we have ridiculed and attacked those with different viewpoints. God, we believe you ask us to accept and seek to understand all who are called by your name. Forgive us for the times we have offended you by failing to love others as we do ourselves. God, we believe you call us to be one, even as you are one. Forgive us for the disunity we have harbored and make us one.

You renew our minds and rekindle your love in our hearts. You forgive us and embrace us. You restore our brokenness. In you through Christ we are forgiven and we are accepted without condition. Hallelujah! Amen.

4. \*Hymn

UMH #534, *Be Still, My Soul*

1. *Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side. Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain; leave to your God to order and provide; in every change God faithful will remain. Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.*

2. *Be still, my soul: your God will undertake to guide the future, as in ages past. Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake; all now mysterious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt below.*

3. *Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on when we shall be forever with the Lord, when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone, sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored. Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past, all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.*

5. Faith in Action

6. Scripture Lesson

First Peter 3:13-22

7. Children's Time

(As children come forward)

*"Yes, Jesus loves us (x3). The Bible tells us so."*

(As children return)

*"God is watching over you...each day."*

8. Sermon

*"Divine Work despite Suffering"*

Pastor Sunmin

9. \*Hymn


UMH #504, *Old Rugged Cross* (1, 2, 4)



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