

ONLINE WORSHIP JULY 19, 2020

WE GATHER TOGETHER PRAISING GOD

Introductions and Invitations

Welcome & Welcoming Music

Responsive Reading

One: You are the Sower, O God, we are the seed.

All: God's word is being sown in our lives this day with the promise of new growth.

One: You are the Lover, O God, we are the beloved.

All: God's love blossoms in our lives with a beauty greater than the lilies of the field.

One: You are the Healer, O God, we are the healed.

All: God's healing flows through our lives with every beat of our heart.

One: You are the Potter, O God, we are the clay.

All: God's hand fashions us to shine with the glory of Christ's light.

One: Come! Let us worship the one who sows us in fields of love.

Opening Hymn

"God, You Spin The Whirling Planets" (v. 1, 2, & 4)

Prayer (worship leader prays aloud)

Great Sower, cast us like seeds upon the winds of your mercy, that we may grow in fertile ground. Keep our lives from stony pathways, where the heat of life's cares and strife strip our strength and vitality. Protect us from thorny gullies, where the snares of life's worries and fears block the sunshine of your Spirit. Land us safely in rich soil, Master Gardener, and bless us with the kiss of gentle rain, that our faith may increase and our joy may be complete. Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ (greet fellow worshipers in the live chat as we sing song #431 "Let There Be Peace On Earth")

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Children In Ministry Music to Lift Our Spirits

Scripture: Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

Message: "Rooted and Grounded in Love"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LOVE

Song of Prayer (we pray for God's guidance as we sing song #357 "Just As I Am" v. 1 & 5)

Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer Offering of Gifts (followed by) Doxology Prayer of Dedication (we read and pray aloud together)

Master Gardener, as you have sown our lives in a rich and fertile soil, may we bear much fruit through our giving. With these offerings, may your realm be brought to earth, as we plant seeds of hope in the fields of life. Bless our gifts and our ministry, that the world may reap a harvest of generosity and love. Amen.

Hymn #561

"I Sing A Song of the Saints of God" (v. 1, 3)

Benediction

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

All are invited to share in virtual coffee time online via Zoom (may require app download).