



Welcome and Announcements Karen Miller

**Prelude/Candle Lighting**      “Overture from *Fireworks Music*” Oxana Khramova  
(G. Handel)

### Ringing of the Bell

#### \*Call to Worship

Leader: Mighty God, Creator of the universe, you reign over all things, and yet you stoop to help us, and humbly serve our needs.

**All: Radiant Christ, you who hold the worlds in your hands, you kneel to wash the feet of your betrayers, and humbly sit with the poor.**

Leader: Eternal God, grant us your spirit of humble service.

**All: Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, and transform us by your grace. Alleluia!**

#### \*Opening Prayer (in unison)

**God of grace, your Christ comes among us not with power and dominion, but in vulnerability and humble service. We do not look up to see Christ; we look down, and find our salvation there, kneeling at our feet, serving us in love. Thank you for your grace; we pray that you fill us with your humble love, in the power of your spirit, in the presence of your Christ. Amen.**

**\*Opening Hymn**      “All Beautiful the March of Days” Hymnal #292

**Readings** Karen Miller

Mark 10:35-45

Parker Palmer, “Preparing for the Journey,” *Hidden Wholeness: The Journey Toward an Undivided Life*.

**Special Music**      “Abide with Me” Bell Choir  
(W. Monk, arr. J. Krug)

**Reflection**      “Leading and Following” Jill Christopherson

**Transitional Music**      “Lord, You Have Been Our Dwelling Place” Oxana Khramova

## Prayers of the People

### Lord's Prayer

Our Mother, our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be they name. Thy kingdom come; they 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, the power, and the glory forever.  
Amen

### Offertory

"Adoration  
(M. Hayes)

Oxana Khramova

### \*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above ye heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### \*Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

We give with joy, loving God, in thanks for all you have allowed us to experience. By your love, we have survived and learned and grown. We dedicate these gifts that more people may be brought to Jesus, the eternal source of salvation. Equip us to be an inviting, caring community in which all your ignorant and wayward people find a genuine welcome and are lifted up to new understanding and joy. Amen.

### \*Closing Hymn

"Blessed Be the Ties That Bind"

attached

### \*Benediction

Leader: We have been blessed with your Word, with this community and your presence with and among us. Send us now strengthened by your love and courage to serve and honor others, knowing you go ahead of us to the lowest places, loving, healing, serving, and giving life.

All: Amen.

### \*Sung Benediction (unison)

God be with you till we meet again;  
By their counsels guide, uphold you;  
With their sheep securely fold you;  
God be with you till we meet again.

### Postlude

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"  
(J. Darwall, arr. M. Hayes)

Oxana Khramova

*Today's flowers are from Sally Conklin in honor of her late husband, Roger's, 97th birthday and their 58th wedding anniversary.*

### Credits

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- Parker Palmer, A Hidden Wholeness: The Journey Toward an Undivided Life, Jossey-Bass, San Francisco, CA. p 76-77.
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## This Week

**Monday, October 21:** November Bell Deadline for submitting articles

**Tuesday, October 22:** Tour of Homes craft meeting, 9am-1:30pm, Room 1

**Wednesday, October 23:** Women in Good Company, 10am-12pm, Room 1

**Wednesday, October 23:** Kid's Club, 4pm; Chancel Choir, 5:30pm; Bell Choir, 6:30pm

**Thursday, October 24:** Assemble Hygiene Kits for Hurricane Survivors, 10-11am., Room 1

**Saturday, October 26:** Artz Girlz, 9am-12pm, Linda's Olson house

# Blessed Be the Tie That Binds

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*John Fawcett, 1782; alt.*

*Gal. 3:28; 6:2; Col. 3:13-15*

1 Blessed be the tie that binds our hearts in Chris - tian love;  
 2 Be - fore our God we come and pour our ar - dent prayers;  
 3 We share each oth - er's woes, each oth - er's bur - dens bear,  
 4 When we are called to part it gives us in - ward pain,

The shar - ing of a com - mon life is like to that a - bove.  
 Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.  
 And of - ten for each oth - er flows a sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.  
 But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.

## All Beautiful the March of Days

FOREST GREEN CMD

English folk melody

Frances Whitmarsh Wile, 1911; alt.

Arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

1. All beau - ti - ful the march of days, As sea - sons come and go;  
 2. O'er white ex - pans - es spar - kling pure The ra - diant morns un - fold;  
 3. O Thou from whose un - fath - omed law The year in beau - ty flows,

The hand that shaped the rose hath wrought The crys - tal of the snow;  
 The sol - emn splen - dors of the night Burn bright - er through the cold;  
 Thy - self the vi - sion pass - ing by In crys - tal and in rose,

Hath sent the hoar - y frost of heaven, The flow - ing wa - ters sealed,  
 Life mounts in ev - ery throbb - ing vein, Love deep - ens round the hearth,  
 Day un - to day doth ut - ter speech, And night to night pro - claim,

And laid a si - lent love - li - ness On hill and wood and field.  
 And clear - er sounds the an - gel hymn, "Good will to all on earth."  
 In ev - er - chang - ing words of light, The won - der of Thy name.