

# Order of Worship for July 19, 2020

## Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

*The altar flowers this Sunday are in loving memory of  
Rollin Shannon*

*Given by Sally Shannon  
and*

*In loving memory of Melissa Barrowclough  
Given by Claire & Charles Poirier*

*The steeple is lit in loving memory of  
Eleanor Buker, USCG  
Given by her son, William Buker*

**Welcome**

**Prelude**

Ji Hye Jung

**Call to Worship**

We come to celebrate God's blessings to us.

**People: Surely God is in this place!**

We come to open ourselves to God's guidance and love.

**People: Surely God is in this place!**

We come to see more clearly God's presence in our lives.

**People: Surely God is in this place!**

We come to see God in this community of seekers.

**People: Surely God is in this place!**

We come to pray, praise, and offer ourselves to God.

**People: Surely God is in this place! Let us worship!**

**Invocation**

Holy One, you know us already.

Help us to know you better.

Let us see you all around us.

Fill our worship with your Spirit

so that we may learn to recognize your presence

in all places. Amen.

**Call to Confession**

Our failures, shortcomings, and sin are like strong weeds in our lives.

We confess them to God,

So that we may clear away anything

that would choke out our nourishing connection with God.

*Let us pray...*

Gracious God,

in the fields of our lives, we strive to be fruitful, but we fall short.

We get so comfortable that we sleep when we need to be vigilant

about the errors in our own lives and the injustices around us.  
We are so casual about wrongdoing that it creeps into our lives  
and threatens to overwhelm the good we do.  
We do not pay attention to the unjust systems which shape our lives,  
that we must work to transform so that your Beloved Community may come to be.  
Forgive us, O God. Keep us awake so that we can produce the lives you call us to live.  
Amen.

### **Words of Assurance**

You are not God's tenants or employees;  
you are God's precious family.  
In the words of the apostle Paul,  
"You did not receive a spirit of servitude to fall back into fear,  
but you have received a spirit of adoption."  
As God's children, in God's embrace, you are forgiven and free.

### **Special Music**

*Let There Be Peace on Earth*  
Ed Rozmiarek, soloist

Sy Miller and Jill Jackson

### **Scripture Reading**

Genesis 28:10-19a & Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

### **Sermon**

"God in Every Place!"

Rev. Pam Cochrane

### **Prayers of the People**

*with the words Jesus taught his disciples we pray...*

### **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 today our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and  
the glory, for ever and ever, Amen.

### **Call for the Offering**

What we have received comes from seed sown in us by Jesus Christ.  
Having received the blessings of the harvest begun in us,  
let us return to God fruits of the blessings we have received.

### **Prayer of Dedication**

Loving God, we offer back to you what we have been given:  
our treasure, our time, and our lives.  
Bless our gifts and multiply them for your purposes. Amen.

### **Special Music**

*Make Me a Channel of Your Peace* (Prayer of St. Francis)  
by Sebastian Temple, arr. Jane Holstein  
Ed Rozmiarek, soloist

### **Benediction**

### **Postlude**

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