



## CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP: Space to Experience Ourselves in God

8:45 a.m. ~~ July 22, 2018 ~~ Ordinary Time

*The voyage to the brink of our longing  
is a homecoming to our heart of hearts.*

~~David Steindl-Rast

### Call to Worship

*Psalm 27:4,7-8*

*The one thing I ask of the Lord, the one thing I seek most –  
To live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,  
Delighting in the Lord's perfections and meditating in His temple.  
Listen to my pleading, O Lord. Be merciful and answer me!  
My heart has heard you say, "Come and talk with me."  
And my heart responds, "Lord, I am coming."*

### Speaking and Singing Our Praise

*Psalm 96:1 – 9 with "Come, Worship the Lord"*

**Response:** *Come, worship the Lord,  
for we are his people  
the flock that he shepherds. Alleluia.*

*We sing anew your ancient song of love, O Lord; we sing to you along with every created thing on earth. Our hearts sing to you. Your name is greater than we can imagine.*

*We sing that you are always present with your people. We will open our hearts to your love,  
notice your presence even in the dark night, and join you in your work of redeeming the world.*

#### Response

*Only you, Lord, are great and worthy of our praise. Only you deserve our total devotion. All these clothes, jewels and positions we accumulate are mere trinkets. Though we treat them like gods, they have no power to transform.*

*Only you have the power to transform our lives, you who created all things in heaven and earth. Power to create belongs to you and all you create reflects your glorious splendor.*

#### Response

*So we lift our voices to worship and give you the glory due your name, joining our voices with all peoples.*

*We bring an offering, even an offering of ourselves to lay before you, our act of worship.*

#### Response

### Where Do You Go?

#### Resting in God

*"Here In Your Presence"*

*What can I say, here in Your presence?  
I am undone, here in Your presence.  
You are God, I am Yours.  
You are God, I am Yours.*

*Lord, who am I, here in Your presence?  
I bow my life, here in Your presence.  
You are God, I am Yours.  
You are God, I am Yours.*

## New Testament Reading

**Luke 2:41-50**

*Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom. After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you."*

*"Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he was saying to them.*

## Meditation

### Silence for Reflection

### Offering Others to Jesus

**"In Love You Summon"**

**Response:** *In love You summon, in love I follow, living today for Your tomorrow.*

*Christ to release me, Christ to enfold me, Christ to restrain me, Christ to uphold me.*

- We pray for those who journey alone **Response**
- We pray for those who journey despite opposition **Response**
- We pray for those who watch loved ones wander **Response**

## Holy Communion

### Communion Song

**"Oceans"**

*You call me out upon the waters, the great unknown, where feet may fail.  
And there I find You in the myst'ry, in oceans deep, my faith will stand.*

*And I will call upon Your name, and keep my eyes above the waves.  
When oceans rise, my soul will rest in Your embrace,  
For I am Yours, and You are mine.*

*Your grace abounds in deepest waters, Your sovereign hand will be my guide.  
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me, You've never failed and You won't start now.*

*And I will call....*

*Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders,  
Let me walk upon the waters, wherever You would call me.  
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander,  
And my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Savior.*

### Offering Our Prayers for the Sciretti family

## Benediction

\*Please note your attendance at the foyer sign-in sheets. You may place offerings & prayer requests in the basket at the rear of the Chapel.

\*\*See the weekly update at the foyer table for additional upcoming offerings from The Center for Christian Spirituality.

