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WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Gathering Song

Come and Find the Quiet Centre

VU 374 v.1,3

*Come and find the quiet centre
in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter,
find the frame where we are freed:
clear the chaos and the clutter,
clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter,
be at peace, and simply be.*

*In the Spirit let us travel,
open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel,
celebrate the space we gain:
there's a place for deepest dreaming,
there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming
there is always room to spare!*

Worship Call (based on Psalm 30)

Let us lift up God's name;

And rejoice for God hears our prayers!

Praise the One who brings healing to our pain;

And causes joy to follow the long night of sorrow!

We will not be silent. We will not still our tongues!

O God, we will give thanks to you forever!

Let us join in worship together.

Acknowledging the Land

Candle Lighting

Prayer of Approach

*When Thomas touched the wounds and set himself free it was Easter day
When Peter's three "yes's" to Jesus finished his three denials it was Easter day
When Mary ready to embalm the dead ran in fear from the empty tomb it was Easter day
When the disciples looked from afar at a breakfast of fish on the beach it was Easter day
When Paul was blinded by the light and recognised the voice in his head it was Easter day
When the hungry are fed at the table the same table as the rich it is Easter day
When weapons are beaten to ploughshares and peace is a word to be shouted it is Easter day
When the stranger is welcomed and the lonely are restored to relationship it is Easter day.
We pray dear God, let it be Easter every day.*

Sing

I Feel the Winds of God

VU 625

*I feel the winds of God today;
today my sail I lift,
though heavy oft with drenching spray
and torn with many a rift;
if hope but light the water's crest,
and Christ my bark will use,
I'll seek the seas at his behest,
and brave another cruise.*

*It is the wind of God that dries
my vain regretful tears,
until with braver thoughts shall rise
the purer, brighter years;
if cast on shores of selfish ease
or pleasure I should be,
O let me feel your freshening breeze,
and I'll put back to sea.*

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

*Join with us, living God, as we meet around your word and reflect upon it.
Encourage us, inspire us. Amen.*

John 21: 15-19 The Message

Gift of music

Lost Happiness

Felix Mendelssohn

Sermon

A Little Light

Sing

Come Touch our Hearts

MV 12

*Come touch our hearts that we may know compassion,
from failing embers build a blazing fire;
love strong enough to overturn injustice,
to seek a world more gracious, come touch and bless our hearts.*

*Come touch our souls that we may know and love you,
your quiet presence all our fears dispel;
create a space for spirit to grow in us,
let life and beauty fill us, come touch and bless our souls.*

*Come touch our minds and teach us how to reason,
set free our thoughts to wonder and to dream;
help us to open doors of understanding,
to welcome truth and wisdom, come touch and bless our minds.*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Responding to God and Community

Sing our response:

Over My Head

MV 88

Over my head, I hear music in the air. (x3)
There must be a God somewhere.

Praying for people and the world

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 this day our daily bread. And 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, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Sing

O a Song Must Rise

MV 142

*Oh a song must rise for the spirit to descend
Oh a song must rise once again (again)
Singing out God's praises and glory,
the faithful voices blend,
Oh a song must rise for the spirit to descend.*

*From the mountains to the valleys,
from the desert to the sea,
a song must rise once again. (again)*

*From the voices of our leaders,
the voice of you and me,
a song must rise for the spirit to descend.*

*Oh a song must rise for the spirit to descend
Oh a song must rise once again (again)
Singing out God's praises and glory,
the faithful voices blend,
Oh a song must rise for the spirit to descend.*

*From ev'ry house of worship,
in ev'ry faith and tongue,
a song must rise once again. (again)
From the villages and cities
a new song must be sung,
a song must rise for the spirit to descend.*

*Oh a song must rise for the spirit to descend
Oh a song must rise once again (again)
Singing out God's praises and glory,
the faithful voices blend,
Oh a song must rise for the spirit to descend.*

Benediction & Commissioning

Sing blessing

We Will Go With God

MV 223

*We will go with God!
Ho, ho, ho! We will go with God! (x2)
On this day of great joy
we will go with God. (x2)*