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Welcome to P.I.E. Day – public intentional explicit day
Why Pi? – because love is a circle, and it is also irrational
Why Pie? – Why not!

Gathering Song

Draw the Circle Wide

MV 145

Refrain: *Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still.*
Let this be our song, no one stands alone,
standing side by side, draw the circle wide.

1. *God the still point of the circle,*
'round whom all creation turns;
nothing lost, but held forever,
in God's gracious arms.
2. *Let our hearts touch far horizons,*
so encompass great and small;
let our loving know no borders,
faithful to God's call.
3. *Let the dreams we dream be larger,*
than we've ever dreamed before;
let the dream of Christ be in us,
open every door.

Worship Call

Candle Lighting

Acknowledging the Land

Sing **Sing a New World into Being** **(Songs from the Holy Other)**

Sing a new world into being. Sound a bold and hopeful theme.
Find a tune for silent yearnings. Lend your voice and dare to dream:
dream a church where all who worship find their lives and loves belong,
Sing a new world into being. Sing as Christ inspires your song!

Sing a new world into being where each gender, class and race
bring its rainbow gifts and colours to God's limitless embrace;
where the lines that once divided form instead the ties that bind.
Sing a new world into being: risk transforming heart and mind!

*Sing a new world into being. Join the ancient prophets' cry
for a time of health and plenty when all tears have been wiped dry;
when compassion flows like waters, pouring balm for all who grieve.
Sing a new world into being: live the promise you believe!*

Opening Prayer

God of the Earth, we confess that we often worry too much about scarcity and forget that you are the God of water from rocks.

In our anxiety, hear our prayer

Creator of life, at times we feel the weight of human brokenness and don't believe that the water of life is available to us.

In our brokenness, hear our prayer

Sustainer of hope, where our hearts harden in the face of difference, when our spirits become like stone when we are faced with trial, we forget that you never leave us.

In our forgetting, hear our prayers

And Now for Something Completely Different

Sing

Senzeni na

MV66

One: Senzeni na? All: Senzeni na? Senzeni na?

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Prayer of Illumination

Ancient Reading

Psalm 150

Sing *Praise to our God, Hallelujah. Everybody praise our God. (VU874)*

Praise God in the holy temple!

Praise God for mighty deeds!

Praise God for bountiful mercies,

Praise God who meets all our needs!

Sing *Praise to our God, Hallelujah. Everybody praise our God. (VU874)*

Praise God with sound of trumpet!

Praise God with lute and harp!

Praise God with timbrel and dancing!

Praise God wherever you are!

Sing *Praise to our God, Hallelujah. Everybody praise our God. (VU874)*

Praise God with holy cymbals!

Praise God with strings and with pipes!

*Praise God with clash of cymbals!
Praise God with all your might!*

Sing *Praise to our God, Hallelujah. Everybody praise our God. (VU874)*

The Happiness Box

Ancient Reading **John 4:5-42**

Gift of music *Songs without Words Op. 19 No. 4* *Felix Mendelssohn*

Sermon **Jars, Rocks, and Pie**

Sing *By the Well* *MV 117*

1. *By the well, a thirsty woman
found the life that you could give,
we, too, thirst like empty vessels –
fill us full that we may live.
Jesus, source of living water,
Wellspring bubbling deep within,
By the waters of our baptism
wisdom purpose life begin.*

2. *Plant us firm, like trees by water,
send our roots down deep in you,
quench our parched and thirsty spirits
with your water, pure and true.
Jesus, source of living water,
Nourisher of all on earth,
By the waters of our baptism
quicken growth and give new birth.*

3. *May we be your streams of justice,
as the water, may we move
through your people by your Spirit
showing mercy, sharing love.
Jesus, source of living water,
Groundswell forcing truth to view,
By the waters of our baptism
set us free to live for you.*

Responding to God and Community

Sing Response **There is Room for All** **MV 62**

*There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing;
there is room for all, sheltered in God's love.
And I rejoice and sing,*

*“My refuge and my rock, in whom I trust.”
There is room for all, there is room for all! (Repeat)*

Sharing Signs of Peace May the peace of Christ be with you all
And also with you

Prayers of the People

Sing *We are a Rainbow*

*We're the light of all the world, we are a city on a hill,
We're a candle on a stand proclaiming light,
We will not hide our lamp beneath a bushel anymore,
We will shine a ray of hope that's burning bright.*

*We are a rainbow, sign of covenant and peace,
For the flood of tears will finally cease to be,
Come shine your rainbow, splash your hues across the sky,
Paint the world in colors proud and bold and free.*

*We're a coat of many colors, sewn from many different threads,
Covering all in warmth, in welcome and in grace,
God said “Let there be light”, created every varied shade,
In the rainbow each of us can find a place.*

*We are a rainbow, sign of covenant and peace,
For the flood of tears will finally cease to be,
Come shine your rainbow, splash your hues across the sky,
Paint the world in colors proud and bold and free.*

*We are hope to still believe in tomorrow's better day,
We are peace in a world that's torn apart,
We are joy that will last in all the struggles that we face,
We are love that blooms and grows in every heart.*

*We are a rainbow, sign of covenant and peace,
For the flood of tears will finally cease to be,
Come shine your rainbow, splash your hues across the sky,
Paint the world in colors proud and bold and free.*

Benediction & Commissioning

Sing blessing Make a Joyful Noise

VU 820

*Make a joyful noise all the earth!
Worship your God with gladness.
Make a joyful noise all the earth.
Go from this place with a song!*