

October 9 - UP & COMING NEWS & SUNDAY WORSHIP BULLETIN

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<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/6222869817?pwd=ejFYVytrTlk3aW1kK01aWE1LeUJpZz09>

Sunday, October 11

10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY WORSHIP & CHRISTIAN ED

Tuesday, October 13

12:00 p.m.

Hampshire Association Clergy Lunch

6:00 p.m.

HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

6:30 p.m.

Hope Grange Meeting

Wednesday, October 14

6:00 p.m.

Hadley Women's AA Group Meeting

6:00 p.m.

Hadley Men's Club

Thursday, October 15

4:00 p.m.

Fiddle Orchestra Rehearsal

7:00 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Sunday, October 18

10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY WORSHIP & CHRISTIAN ED

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Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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LIVE ZOOM WORSHIP SUNDAY 10AM

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Mara Breen
Rosalee Oakley
Ken Parker

Worship Leader
Guest Accompanist
Deacon

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
October 11, 2026

PRELUDE

“I Sing the Praise of Love Almighty”
“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”
“Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

Gerhard Tersteegen
Carl G. Glaser
James K. Manley

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ken Parker

INTROIT

“As We Are Gathered”

John Daniels

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 19)

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

People: All creation joins in praising: from the ocean's depths to the mountain's peak;

Leader: lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding, mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, wild animals and all cattle, small creatures and flying birds;

People: let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his splendor is above the earth and the heavens.

*** GATHERING HYMN**

“We Worship You, God”

We Worship You, God

Ps. 104:2-6, 10-13

Robert Grant, 1833; alt.



1 We wor-ship you, God; your power and your love
 2 We tell of your might, we sing of your grace,
 3 The earth, with its store of won-ders un-told,
 4 Your boun-ti-ful care, what tongue can re-cite?
 5 Frail chil-dren of dust, and fee-ble as frail,
 are bla-zoned a-broad, a-round, and a-bove:
 whose robe is the light, whose can-o-py space;
 Al-might-y, your power has found-ed of old,
 It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
 Our Shield and De-fend-er, the An-cient of Days,
 Your char-iots of wrath the deep thun-der-clouds form,
 Es-tab-lished it fast by a change-less de-cree,
 It streams from the hills, it de-scends to the plain,
 Your mer-cies how ten-der, how firm to the end,
 pa-vil-ioned in splen-dor, and gird-ed with praise.
 and broad is your path on the wings of the storm.
 and round it you cast, like a man-tle, the sea.
 and sweet-ly dis-tills in the dew and the rain.
 our Mak-er, De-fend-er, Re-deem-er, and Friend!

Born in Bengal, India, Robert Grant became a lawyer in England, a member of Parliament, and for the last four years of his life was governor of Bombay. This text was inspired by William Kethe's paraphrase of Psalm 104.

Tune: LYONS 10.10.11.11.
 Attrib. to J. Michael Haydn (1737-1806)
 Alternate tune: HANOVER

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* OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

God our Father, you created the world and sent your own Son to live among us, made of the same stuff, breathing the same air, marveling at sunrise and sunset just as we do. Help us to participate in the life around and within us as your life, as you living in us and we living in you and in each other. God of love and life, restore us to your peace, renew us through your power and teach us to love all that you have created and to care for the earth as your gift and our home.

* THE 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 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 and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
 As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
 World without end. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 25:1-9 (p. 617)

Psalms 23 (p. 485)

Ken Parker

TIME FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

Shannon Stilla

ANTHEM

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Graham Kendrick

LESSON

“Where Heaven and Earth Meet”

Mara Breen

* HYMN

“Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

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Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

*Unison, brightly
Refrain*

James K. Marley, 1978; alt.

The musical score is written for a unison setting in 3/4 time, key of D major. It consists of five systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes a refrain and a final verse. The chords are indicated above the notes: D, G, A, Dsus4, D, Bm, E7, Asus7, A7, D, G, A, Dsus4, D, Bm, G, A7, D, G, D, G, A, G.

Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle-ness, blow through the
wil - der-ness, call - ing and free,
Spir - it, spir - it of rest - less-ness, stir me from
plac - id-ness, wind, wind on the sea.
1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the
2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the
3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a
4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient

**Reduced-size notes may be played with organ pedals in lieu of or in combination with the other notes.*

deep, then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the
sand, and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a
hill, then you whis - pered in si - lence when the
schemes, from the bond - age of sor - row the

val - leys of sleep; And o - ver the e - ons you
law and a land; When they were con - found - ed by their
whole world was still; And down in the cit - y you
cap - tives dream dreams; Our wom - en see vi - sions, our

called to each thing, "A - wake from your slum -
i - dols and lies, then you spoke through your proph -
called once a - gain, when you blew through your peo -
men clear their eyes. With bold new de - ci -

bers and rise on your wings."
ets to o - pen their eyes.
ple on the rush of the wind.
sions your peo - ple a - rise.

This popular hymn by songwriter James K. Manley grew out of a sabbatical leave at the School of Theology at Claremont, California. It was first sung at Waikeola Congregational Church in Honolulu, after which Manley added the fourth stanza at the suggestion of a church member.

Tune: SPIRIT Irr.
James K. Manley, 1978
Arr. The New Century Hymnal, 1993

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

CHORAL RESPONSE

MORNING OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory

"Be Not Dismayed"

W. Stillman Martin

* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done;

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.

* Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

Accept, O God, these offerings which thy people make unto thee; and grant that the cause to which they are devoted may prosper under thy guidance, to the glory of thy name, and through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

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Every Time I Feel the Spirit

2 Sam. 22:9; Ps. 138

African-American spiritual

Refrain

Ev-ery time I feel the Spir-it mov-ing in my heart I will
pray. Yes, ev-ery time I feel the Spir-it mov-ing
in my heart I will pray. 1 Up-on the moun-tain my God
2 Oh, Jor-dan riv-er, chil-ly and
spoke, out of God's mouth came fire and smoke. Looked all a-
cold, it chills the bod-y, not the soul. There's on-ly
round me; looked so fine; I asked my God if all were mine.
one train on this track; it runs to heav-en, then right back.

to Refrain

Among the thousands of spirituals that exist today are songs of gladness and songs of sorrow. This well-known spiritual is a song

Tune: African-American spiritual
Arr. Joyce Finch Johnson, 1992

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* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Turn Back O Man”

German Psalter