



June 27, 2021

Pride Sunday

No matter who you are,
No matter where you are
On life's journey,
You are welcome here.

Please silence cell phones.

Bibles for use during worship are available at each entrance to the Sanctuary.

THOUGHT FOR PREPARATION

"We are surprises to ourselves."

Linn Marie Tonstad

PRELUDE

Someone Asked a Question-Why We Sing
St. Arbucks Quartet

Kirk Franklin

INTROIT

In the Midst of New Dimensions
Chancel Choir

Julian Rush

WELCOME

Jeff Carlson

* WELCOMING EACH OTHER

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Lord God, you are brilliance without shadow!

All: Jesus Christ is the light of the world!

One: You are the love that knows no coldness!

All: You have freed us to love each other!

One: You are the life that defeats death!

All: You have given us this life to live together!

We sing your praise with joy!

* *Please stand if you are able to do so.*

* HYMN

Enter, Rejoice, and Come In



1. En - ter, re - joice, and come in. En - ter, re - joice, and come in.
2. O - pen your - self to the song. O - pen your - self to the song.
3. O - pen your hearts ev - ery - one. O - pen your hearts ev - ery - one.
4. Don't be a - fraid of some change. Don't be a - fraid of some change.
5. En - ter, re - joice, and come in. En - ter, re - joice, and come in.



To - day will be a joy - ful day; en - ter, re - joice, and come in.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Matt Fitzgerald

**God, you know our hard hearts,
Our selfish thoughts and our casual cruelties.
You know who we are.
So who are we to come before you?
We cannot rely on ourselves.
We can only rely on your promise
that Jesus came into the world *for us*.
He came to melt our hearts, free our minds
and destroy the power of death.
We seize hold of this promise today.
We know you can heal us!
For you can do what we cannot do!
You WILL do it!
We believe that you are doing it now!
Not because we are good,
But because you are.
Amen.**

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

ANTHEM

Verzage nicht, O Häuflein klein
(Sung in German)

J.S. Bach

from Am Abend, aber der desselbigen Sabbats BWV 42

At evening, the same day as the Sabbath

Elisse Albian, soprano; Kurt R. Hansen, tenor
and Karina Kontorovitch, piano

Tremble not, oh little flock,
Although the enemies are
Arrayed to destroy thee utterly,
And seek your undoing,
For which you are rightfully anxious and fearful:
This will not last long.

SCRIPTURE

2 Samuel 1:1-3 and 17-27

Shortly after Saul died, David returned to Ziklag from his rout of the Amalekites.

Three days later a man showed up unannounced from Saul's army camp.

Disheveled and obviously in mourning, he fell to his knees in respect before David. David asked, "What brings you here?"

He answered, "I've just escaped from the camp of Israel."

"So what happened?" said David. "What's the news?"

He said, "The Israelites have fled the battlefield, leaving a lot of their dead comrades behind. And Saul and his son Jonathan are dead."

Then David sang this lament over Saul and his son Jonathan, and gave orders that everyone in Judah learn it by heart. It is inscribed in The Book of Jashar.

Oh, oh, Gazelles of Israel, struck down on your hills!

How the mighty have fallen!

Don't announce it in the city of Gath,

don't post the news in the streets of Ashkelon.

Don't tell the daughters of Zion. Don't give the drunken Philistine women another reason for a drunken celebration.

Jonathan's bow was bold—

the bigger they were the harder they fell.

Saul's sword was fearless—

once out of the scabbard, nothing could stop it.

Saul and Jonathan—beloved and lovely!

Together in life, together in death.

They were swifter than eagles,

they were stronger than lions.

The mighty warriors—fallen, fallen

in the middle of the fight!

Jonathan—struck down on your hills!

O my dear brother Jonathan,

I'm crushed by your death.

You were greatly beloved to me;

Your love to me was wonderful,

surpassing the love of women.

The mighty warriors—fallen, fallen.

And the weapons of war broken to bits.

* STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe in God who has created and is creating,

who has come to us in Jesus Christ to reconcile and make us new,

who works in us and others by the Holy Spirit.

We trust God. God calls us to be the Church,

to celebrate God's presence,

to love and serve others,

to care for creation,

to seek justice and to resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life and death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone. Thanks be to God!

(adapted from the United Church of Canada)

* RESPONSE

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

verses 1 & 2

1. Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2. All thy works with joy sur-round thee, Earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
3. Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, Ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,
4. Mor - tals, join the might - y cho - rus Which the morn - ing stars be - gan;

Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, Open - ing to the sun a - bove.
Stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
Well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean depth of hap - py rest!
Fa - ther love is reign - ing o'er us, Broth - er love binds man to man.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the dark of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, Flow - ery mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our bro - ther, All who live in love are thine;
Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife,

Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, Fill us with the light of day.
Chant - ing bird and flow - ing foun - tain, Call us to re - joice in thee.
Teach us how to love each oth - er, Lift us to the joy di - vine.
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward In the tri - umph song of life.

SERMON "Old Time Religion" Matt Fitzgerald

*RESPONSE *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* verses 3 & 4
See the previous hymn

OFFERTORY *Ain't Got Time to Die* Hall Johnson
Kurt R. Hansen, tenor
Chancel Choir

Lord, I keep so busy praisin' my Jesus,
Ain't got time to die.
'Cause when I'm healin' de sick,
"Cause it takes all o' ma time,
all o' ma time.

If I don' praise Him
De rocks gonter cry out.
Glory an' honor,
Ain' got time to die.

Lord, I keep so busy workin for de Kingdom,
Ain' got time to die.
'Cause when I'm feedin' de poor
I'm workin' fer de Kingdom,
Ain' got time to die.
'Cause it takes all o' ma time,
all' o' ma time to praise my Lord.

If I don' praise Him de rocks gonter cry out,....

Lord, I keep so busy servin' my Master
Ain' got time to die.
'Cause when I'm givin' my all,
ain' got time to die
'Cause it takes all o' ma time,
all o' my time.
To praise my Lord,

If I don' praise Him de rocks gonter cry out,....

Now, won't you git out o' ma way,
Lem-me praise my Jesus?
Git out o' ma way!
If I don' praise Him de rocks gonter cry out,....

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*** FESTIVAL DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God above, ye heav'n - ly host:
Cre - a - tor, Christ, and Ho - ly Ghost; Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.**

* HYMN

All Are Welcome

Marty Haugen



1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly__
2. Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vis - ions



live, a__ place where saints and chil - dren tell how hearts learn
heard and loved and treas - ured, taught and claimed as__ words with -



to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and vi - sions, rock of
-in the Word. Built of tears and cries and laugh - ter, prayers of



faith and vault of grace: here the love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
faith and songs of grace, let this house pro - claim from floor to raf - ter:



All are wel-come, all are wel-come, all are wel-come in this place.__

* BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE



POSTLUDE

Finale

Daniel E. Gawthrop

Kevin Dzierzawski, organ

If you would like someone to pray with you today, Stephen Ministers are present after the Postlude at the right front of the Sanctuary.

Following Worship, all are invited for coffee and snacks outside in the Courtyard, weather permitting.

TODAY'S MUSIC

Our prelude, ***Someone Asked a Question-Why We Sing*** was written in 1993 and features both text and music by Kirk Franklin (b. 1970). Mr Franklin also pays homage in this song to the historic hymn text *His Eye Is on the Sparrow*. He also has brought a new and contemporary edge to gospel music by adding the energy of hip-hop.

Enter, Rejoice, and Come In was composed in 1970's by Louise Ruspini (1900 - 2000), who also provided the text, which is based on Psalm 100. The tune borrows the text from the first line of the refrain: ENTER, REJOICE.

In the Midst of New Dimensions is a newer hymn (1985) with both music and text composed by Julian Rush (b. 1936) in a traditional Protestant hymn style. The Reverend Rush is an openly gay minister ordained in the United Methodist Church. His book, *Julian Rush-Facing the Music: A Gay Methodist Minister's Story*, details his trials within his denomination after coming out after many closeted years. The text of the refrain, *God of rainbow ...* is appropriate not only because of its reference to the covenant after the flood in The Hebrew Bible, but also the rainbow of acceptance and pride we celebrate as an Open and Affirming congregation and during Pride Month.

The cantata, ***Am Abend aber der desselbigen Sabbats***, *At evening, the same day as the Sabbath* BWV 42, was composed in 1725 by Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750) for *Quasimodogeniti* Sunday (Sunday after Easter - "Low Sunday"). The author of the text is unknown. The "little flock" referenced in this duet, ***Verzage nicht, O Häuflein klein***, refers to the disciples that were left behind after Jesus' resurrection. Bach's reference to a *Choral* is unusual because it does not reference the chorale melody or hymn tune, which is very often used in his organ works and cantatas as a melodic binding for voices and instruments. In this duet, he uses the text, rather than the melody of the first stanza of the chorale, by Jacob Fabricius from 1635. Bach liked this cantata enough that he programmed it twice more in his tenure in Leipzig.

The music for ***Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*** was composed by Beethoven (1770-1827) and is the chorale melody from the final movement of his Ninth Symphony (1824).

Hall Johnson (1888 - 1970) composed both the music and text for *Ain't Got Time to Die*. He was an author, composer, arranger, major choral conductor, teacher and music historian who focused on recording and publishing spirituals. His students included Shirley Verrett. He was eulogized by Marian Anderson as having done more to advance the beauty and importance of the spiritual than anyone up to that time. This is another especially relevant musical and spiritual message as we emerge from the restrictions of the past 16 months.

All Are Welcome is a recently composed hymn and one of our favorites from a past hymnfest. The tune is TWO OAKS. It dates from 1994 and the words and music were both created by Marty Haugen (b. 1950), an American composer of numerous hymns and liturgical music. This hymn was shared with Kurt R. Hansen by a college friend, Alisa Kasmir, and it has quickly become an anthem of St. Pauls' Open and Affirming ministry.

Our postlude today, *Finale*, was composed by Daniel E. Gawthrop (b. 1949). He was born in Ft. Wayne, IN and is known for his output of compositions for choirs and also the organ. He has been the recipient of more than 100 commissions for his works. He attended both Michigan State University and Brigham Young University. He currently resides in southern Idaho with his wife.

WELCOME TO ELISSE ALBIAN and her family. Elisse is a graduate of UCLA as a Voice Major. This fall, she will begin her master's study at The Mannes School of Music in New York City. She began her voice studies when in 8th grade with Kurt R. Hansen, and it is a particular joy to welcome her back to sing with her first teacher. We also welcome KARINA KONTORVITCH, the pianist for the Bach duet. Karina plays in the voice studios of both Kurt and Terry Hansen at Northwestern. She has played a number of times at St. Pauls with our Chancel Choir.

ALTAR CLOTHS AND PARAMENTS

Our altar cloths and paraments change colors when the seasons of the church year shift and were made by members of Saint Pauls.

Purple is for the seasons of Advent and Lent, made by Deborah Rose.

White is for the seasons of Christmas and Easter, made by Lynn Dykstra Davis.

Red is for special Sundays and symbolizes the Holy Spirit (Pentecost, Reformation Sunday, Ordinations), made by Deborah Rose.

Green is for ordinary time, made by Deborah Rose.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are in celebration of Mike and Marti Pechnyo's 40th Anniversary, with great thanks to Pastor Tom Henry for making it stick.

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Head Usher: Beatrice Jaji

Ushers: David Baker, Mary Brown, Brian Hafner, Fred Pearson

Head Greeter: Greg Mooney

Gatekeeper: Dodd Brown

Camera Operator: Chuck Kent

St. Arbucks Quartet: Brendan Henry, piano; Alex Austin, bass; Matt Plaskota, drums; Kris Hansen, trumpet & vocals

BORN THIS WEEK IN JUNE & JULY

We celebrate and give thanks for your life at St. Pauls.

A perfect way to celebrate is by giving one dollar for each year of your life to our Birthday Fund, which supports A Just Harvest.

June 27 Jill Minetz, Patricia Kirby, Milana Jozwiak

June 28 Declan Good

June 29 John Busker, John Klaben, Ralph Wiser, Rebecca Gonzalez, Renee Hardt

June 30 Mark Grosshans, Zech Funkhouser

July 1 Billy Mooney, Grace Smith, Kathy Berghoff

July 2 Sarah Coulter, Tate Saltarelli

July 3 John Miller, Marcia Volk, Paul Haider

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCRIPTURE READER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for the 10 a.m. in-person worship service each week to read the scripture passage of the day. Learn more and sign up at:

<https://spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/686988>.

CHURCH SCHOOL

We are offering Sunday morning faith formation activities for children 2 to 11 years old. See the event page for more information. Please register by Friday for the upcoming Sunday at spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/885065.

CREATION CORNER

Without changes, emissions from the world's food production and consumption patterns are expected to double by 2050. Climate warming from agriculture and livestock production/consumption are rising worldwide. *Lancet* magazine recommends a 50% reduction of global red meat consumption by 2050 as a more plant-based diet is clearly climate-friendly. Major producers of beef products are beginning to offer alternatives. Give a plant-based burger, hot dog and other meat alternatives a try! You should see a McDonald Planet burger in 2021 and Burger King already has an Impossible Burger.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

Now that our worship is back in person, we're happy to reopen our flower donation signup! Providing flowers for the altar is an excellent way of celebrating a special event in your life: an anniversary, a birthday, a holiday, or just because you like flowers! Sign up at spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/874446.

NEWBIGIN FELLOWS SMALL GROUP

Having participated in the Newbigin House's *Faith & Justice Fellowship* (faithjustice.net/fellowship), Steve Schwartzberg invites you to join a small group at St. Pauls made up of Newbigin Fellows for this coming year. It's an intense experience discussing such works as Willie James Jennings' *The Christian Imagination: Theology and the Origins of Race*. A rewarding commitment, but not a small one either in time or money. Tuition is nearly \$900 (not including books) and there are webinars and fireside chats via Zoom in addition to bi-weekly cohort meetings. Please contact Steve at steven.schwartzberg@gmail.com to join or for more information.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JULY 5-30 - SUMMER CAMP! - 9 a.m.-12 p.m./3 p.m.

We are excited to have you join us for summer camp this year! Along with arts and crafts, games, and water activities, campers enjoy exploring local parks and going on daily adventures! St. Pauls Summer Camp is for school aged children 6-12. We have options for Full Day (9 a.m.-3 p.m.) or Half Day (9 a.m.-12 p.m.). Sign up on a weekly basis, Monday to Friday. Learn more and sign up here: spucc.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/823571.

OPPORTUNITIES

CHURCH CENTER – spucc.churchcenter.com is our new portal for the Saint Pauls community. See our calendar, register for events, update your contact information, join and view our photo directory, manage your online donations, see your giving history, and more!

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM (CEP) – We are seeking **CEP Laundry volunteers on Saturday mornings**. One volunteer is needed each week to greet street-based guests and launder their clothes on site at St. Pauls from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. If you have any interest in **cooking in-person** meals for homeless neighbors in the coming months, please contact Jennifer Kew at CEPsupper@gmail.com. If you are not interested in in-person activities, we continue to have opportunities to drop off meals for LPCS.

CONNECTORS reach out providing networking and support for members and friends of St. Pauls. Membership is open to all who have the time and the inclination to help. Contact Marcia Volk at marcia@volkonline.com.

EMAIL SIGN-UP – Are you new to St. Pauls and want to get more connected? You can go to spucc.org to fill out our virtual fellowship card to begin receiving our weekly email and special congregational emails, introduce yourself and receive a call from a pastor, request more information about Children and Youth Programming, and more! If you're already a member of St. Pauls and have missed signing up for our email list, you can sign up at the bottom of our website, spucc.org.

FAITH IN ACTION – Some people call it showing up for a protest. Others call it public witness for the values inherent in our faith. Most of us appreciate being able to do both with like-minded congregational members. We are continually building a Faith-in-Action list of people who wish to receive notice of such protests and gatherings – frequently on short notice due to swift governmental action. Please join this email list by contacting Claire Higgins at chiggins@spucc.org.

FAITH & PUBLIC ISSUES – Help us connect our faith to critical public issues. Do you wish you knew more from a faith perspective about current issues that are important to our public life? Racism, climate change, immigration, to name a few? FPI programs provide opportunities to ask questions, help us understand issues in depth, and discuss possible action. The FPI Task Force plans these programs and we could use your ideas. Contact Toby Rogers at toby@rogers-home.com for information about meetings.

GIFTS, PASSIONS, SKILLS – If you have not already completed our GPS Survey, please go to forms.gle/jK54YezLs8Ea27uW8 to fill it out. This is an important component of our overall member engagement initiative. If you prefer to complete a paper document, please contact the office, info@spucc.org. Thank you in advance for your participation.

GREEN TEAM Help us as a congregation live out what we say in our Statement of Faith: “God calls us to care for creation.” This is the perfect time to plan, as we prepare to reenter and reimagine our common bodily life together. Joe Womack and Jan Fraccaro have volunteered to co-chair our efforts, both bringing a great deal of experience and ideas. To attend, or to be on the email list for future meetings, email Jan at jan.fraccaro@gmail.com.

LITTLE LIGHTS is a St. Pauls early childhood program with classes for 2, 3, and 4-year olds. We are now accepting applications for 2021. Check out www.littlelightslp.org. Email Little Lights Director Erin Fitzgerald at littlelights@spucc.org.

MEALS FOR LPCS - Lincoln Park Community Services is a St. Pauls founded organization that provides comprehensive social services to our neighbors experiencing homelessness. LPCS is looking for volunteers to provide meals during this time. Please contact Sally Fletcher to sign up at sfletcher1443@gmail.com, or (312) 848-5400. Needed are 35 lunches, including 3 vegetarian, at the 600 W. Fullerton location.

NEW OR EXPECTING PARENTS – If you have a new baby or are expecting a baby, please let Joanne Tong know so that we can find ways to support you (meals, prayer, etc.). Email Joanne at jctong@yahoo.com.

OUTREACH & BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE – Do you have a passion for reaching out to others? The St. Pauls O&B Committee would love you to join us in keeping our church engaged in community outreach. For more information, contact Jennifer Kew, JenniferLKew@gmail.com, or Pastor Jeff, jcarlson@spucc.org.

PARENTS OF LITTLE ONES (POLO) has play dates, Moms night out, Dads night out, family pizza parties, prayer groups, and more activities to support families with little ones between the ages of 0 and 5. If you have young children and would like to get involved, please contact Joanne Tong at jctong@yahoo.com.

SAINT PAULS SOCIAL – Get better acquainted with other adults at St. Pauls. If you are interested in hosting, please contact Jen Luerksen at jenluerksen@yahoo.com. Subscribe to the distribution list at eepurl.com/gQ4Eg1, or look out for future events announced in the bulletin calendar.

SAINT PAULS TOGETHER – Our Facebook Group, “Saint Pauls Together,” is for St. Pauls Members and Friends to connect and share uplifting thoughts and stories. Check out our Facebook Page to request an invitation if you’re a member or friend!

STEPHEN MINISTRY AT ST. PAULS – If you’re in need of support through a tough time and would like to be matched with someone who would support you with companionship and prayer, or you’re feeling called to offer support, speak to Pastor Jeff Carlson (jcarlson@spucc.org), Marti Pechnyo (mpechnyo@gmail.com), or Barb Kaiser (bkaiser2213@gmail.com).

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY – Meeting every Wednesday at noon via Zoom. Newcomers are always welcome. Increase your faith and your knowledge of the Bible. RSVP: Pastor Jeff at jcarlson@spucc.org to get the Zoom link.

YOUNG ADULTS – A group for fun and fellowship for folks in their twenties and thirties. All are welcome! Volunteers needed! Any ideas for future events? Email them at youngadults@spucc.org.

ZOOM MEETINGS – The St. Pauls Zoom account is available to start or continue groups. Email Claire Higgins at chiggins@spucc.org to schedule your meeting.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please send any announcements you would like in the following week’s bulletin or Friday email to chiggins@spucc.org no later than 10 a.m. on Tuesday.

Verbal announcements are due by Wednesdays at noon.

Please limit announcements to 100 words. Thank you!

SAINT PAULS PRAYS

Please clip this page and pray for those who are named below. To have your prayer request included, simply ask a pastor in person, on the phone or by email.

Our practice is to run each prayer request for four weeks and then remove it.

If you would like to continue a prayer request after four weeks, let a pastor know.

- Susann Craig, hospitalized in Los Angeles after falling ill during a visit to celebrate her granddaughter's high school graduation.
- Friends and family of Karl Wirsum at his death.
- Friends and family of Larry Butcher at his death.
- Ivy Sanz's mother, Grace, for a quick recovery from her hospitalization with pneumonia.
- Tom Henry and family at the death of Colleen Henry's 100-year-old mother, Mary Payne.
- Friends of the Ashley family who are in times of crisis - Walt and Heidi, Sven and Bitten.
- Family and friends at the death of Ruth Cuzman.
- Al Cerkan, recovering from major back surgery.
- Carole Crowley, recovering from a stroke.

Prayer, Support, Mental Health Resources

Even when you walk through the valley of shadows, God is with you. If you or someone you love is feeling completely alone or like life doesn't matter, reach out for help. Help is available for every kind of issue. Contact one of the pastors today for support, referrals, and information that can help you and your loved ones.

ABOUT ST. PAULS
Making a Joyful Sound in the City!

Saint Pauls UCC has a vibrant history in the city of Chicago. Founded in 1843, we are one of the city's oldest churches. In 1989, we became one of America's first congregations to declare ourselves "Open and Affirming" of LGBTQ people.

From founding Chicago's largest provider of social services to at-risk children to starting a home for the elderly, from housing protestors at the 1968 Democratic Convention to hosting Lincoln Park's first MLK day march against violence on Chicago's streets, we are proud to make a joyful sound in the city.

Most important, over the past 177 years we are glad to have introduced thousands of children and adults to the amazing, inclusive, life changing, uplifting love of God. We do so in worship that is traditional, but far from conventional.

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WELCOME TO SAINT PAULS UCC!

Welcome to those whose hearts are on fire with faith,
and to those who bring their doubt inside our doors.

Welcome to our first time guests and
our longtime members.

Welcome to single people, tiny children,
grandparents and families of all configurations.

Welcome to those who rejoice and to those who grieve.

Welcome to each and to everyone.

We are an Open and Affirming church.

We welcome all.

We are blessed by your presence and
we are glad you are here.