

Welcome and Announcements

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Centering Bell

Music to Prepare Our Hearts “Dancing in the Light of God”

Elizabeth Tombouliau

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Threshold “Dare to Dance Again”

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**Dare to dance with dreamers, sing their song,
Dare to dance their stories, sing out strong.
Dare to dance with freedom your whole life long,
Dare to dance again!**



L: This is the call! Shake off the dust that has been gathering underfoot.

P: We lift up our heads to meet the day.

L: Raise your hands in grateful praise.

P: We fortify our hearts with compassion and action.

L: If rain still lingers, open the umbrellas of determination and set out anyway.

P: For we are called to dance again!

L: Please rise as you are comfortable, and let's sing and dance again!

**Low in the grave he lay, Jesus my Savior,
waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!**

Chorus

**Up from the grave he arose; with a mighty triumph o'er his foes;
he arose a victor from the dark domain, and he lives forever, with his saints to reign.
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!**

**Vainly they watch his bed, Jesus my Savior,
vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord! (Chorus)**

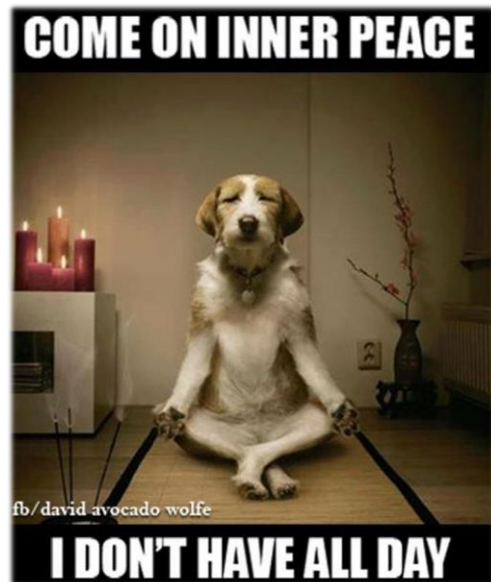
**Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior;
he tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord! (Chorus)**



Affirming the Peace Among Us

L: The peace of the risen Christ is with you!

P: **And also with you!**



First Scripture Reading

John 20:19-22

Second Scripture Reading:

1 John 1:1-4

L: The Word of God for the people of God!

P: **Thanks be to God!**



Anthem

“Live, Pray and Serve”

Chancel Choir

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Message

“Dancing Together”

Rev. Sharon Pajak



Stop!!! I feel the love of Jesus
building up inside and I'm
going to SHOUT!! GLORY!!

The Prayers of the People

Call to Prayer

“Teach Me to Dance”

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**Teach me to dance to the beat of Your heart
Teach me to move in the power of Your Spirit
Teach me to walk in the light of Your presence
Teach me to dance to the beat of Your heart**



L: For the beauty of the world in all its diversity, we give you thanks, O God. ...

L: Let us pray together...

P: May our gratitude to you fill our days.

L: We need your healing, O Holy One, for our troubled planet, for our nation, for all who are struggling in body, mind, relationships, and spirit. We remember those who are suffering...

L: Let us pray together...

P: Come, O God, and restore our lives.

L: Be with each of us now. May the dance of your Spirit ever call us to engage with you and with the needs around us. Lead us; guide us; surround and fill us as we pray,

P: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Sung

**Teach me to love with your heart of compassion,
teach me to trust in the word of your promise,
teach me to hope in the day of your coming,
teach me to dance to the beat of your heart.**

**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!**

We Share Our Gifts

Invitation to Giving

Song During Offering

“Dare We Dance?”

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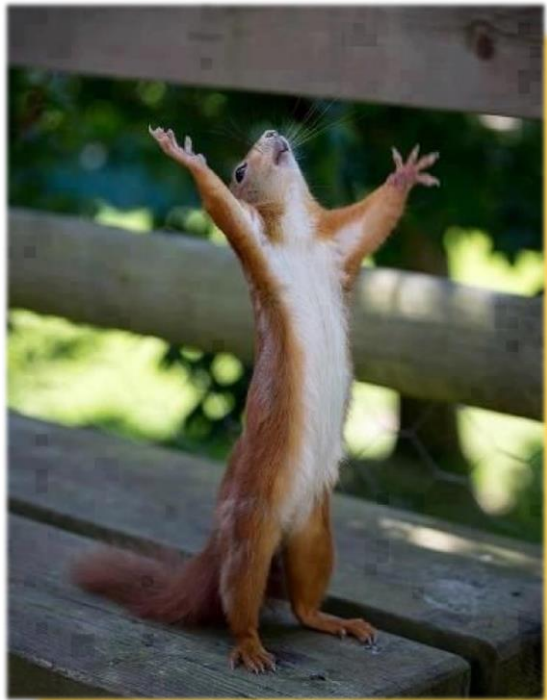
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***Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow**

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**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**



***Prayer of Thanksgiving (Unison)**

Mighty God, you offer us life that overcomes death, light that overcomes darkness, hope that overcomes our deepest despair! What response could we offer? Our tithes and gifts, yes; but our minds, hearts, bodies, and witness as well. May our minds be about understanding who you are and who you long for us to be in this world. May our hearts overflow with your love and compassion for the poor, the oppressed, and

the forgotten. May our bodies dance us out of the tombs of isolation to engage our neighbors as sisters and brothers. May our witness be the “Alleluias!” we take with us to bring hope to everyone we meet! In the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.



*Song of Praise

“Lord of the Dance”

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**I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth.
At Bethlehem I had my birth.**

Chorus

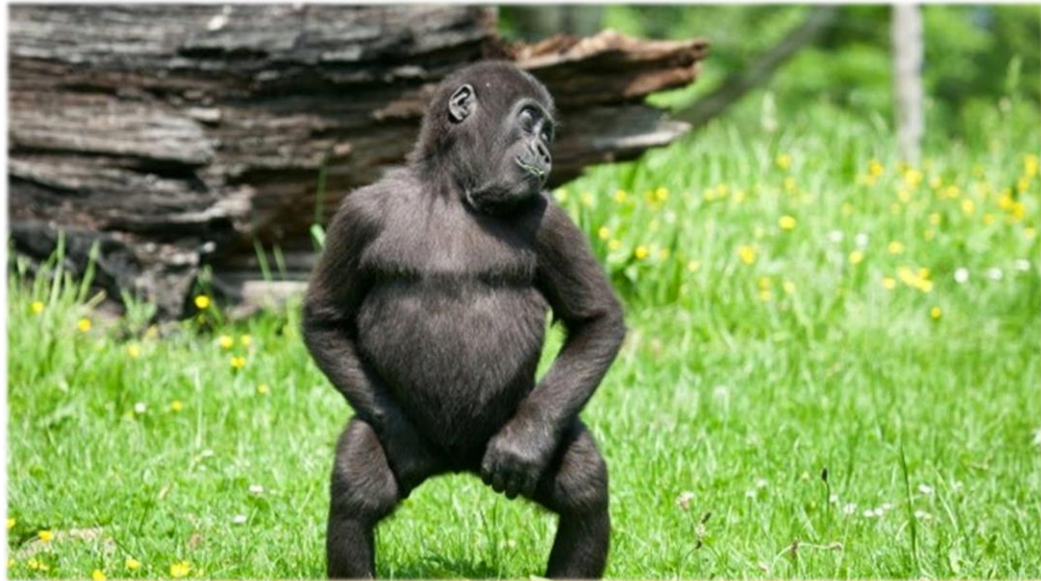
**Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he
And I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.**

**I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they would not follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
They came to me and the dance went on. (Chorus)**

**I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame,
The holy people said it was a shame;
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high;
And they left me there on a cross to die. (Chorus)**

**I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back;
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
But I am the dance and I still go on. (Chorus)**

**They cut me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. (Chorus)**



*Blessing

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