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Gathered at The Family Life Center, 16349 Chillicothe Road
Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44023

Ministers to the World: All the Congregation

Ministers to the Congregation: All the Church Staff

May 26, 2019

6th Sunday of Easter

10 am

Theme: Peace I leave with you

Prelude *We Gather Together/Faith of Our Fathers* (arr. R. Mains) Marcia Snavelly, piano

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton

Introit *¡Cantar! (Sing!)* (J. Althouse) Federated Choir

* **Call to Worship** Rev. Susi Kawolics

One: We come, longing for peace in our hearts.

All: We praise you, O God. You bring harmony to the chaos within us.

One: We come, longing for peace in our community.

All: We praise you, O God. Your spirit builds bridges between us.

One: We come, longing for peace in our world.

All: We praise you, O God. You promise peace that passes all understanding.

One: As a sign of our hope for peace, let us offer each other a sign of Christ's peace.

* **Passing of Christ's Peace**

* **Hymn** *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed full grace on thee,
and crown thy good with servanthood from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine,
till all success be nobleness and every gain divine.

* Those who are able stand **** Worshipers may be seated

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,
confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

Scripture Psalm 67

Reflection, Prayer and Fellowship of Prayer

Prayer (unison) *God's Love for All People*
World Council of Churches, Vancouver Assembly, 1983

Eternal God whose image lies in the hearts of all people,
We live among peoples whose ways are different from ours,
whose faiths are foreign to us,
whose tongues are unintelligible to us.

Help us to remember that you love all people with your great love,
that all religion is an attempt to respond to you,
that the yearnings of other hearts are much like our own
and are known to you.

Help us to recognize you in the words of truth,
the things of beauty,
the actions of love about us.

We pray through Christ,
who is a stranger to no one land more than another,
and to every land no less than to another.

* Hymn *I've Got Peace Like a River*

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain....

I've got love like an ocean....

Invitation to Offering Our Lives and Resources

Anthem

Peace I Give to You (C. Courtney)

Federated Choir

* **Hymn of Dedication** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 50

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!

* **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 sins, as we forgive those
who sin 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.

Scripture John 14:23-29

Sermon Rev. Hamilton Throckmorton

* **Hymn** *Let There Be Peace on Earth*

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God our creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.
With ev'ry step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

* **Benediction**

* **Postlude** *Eternal Father, Strong to Save* (arr. B. Wolaver) Marcia Snavely, piano

~ *Departing to Service* ~



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