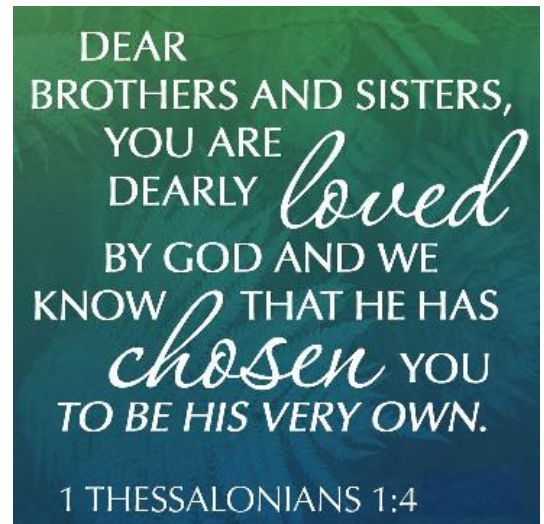




**Order of Worship for  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020,  
10:30am**



CHIMES

GATHERING MUSIC

Improvisation on "We Are God's People"

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING PRAYER

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

SOLO

A Simple Song

Leonard Bernstein

*Caroline Christopher, Warburton Music Intern*

Sing God a simple song  
Lau da lau de,  
Make it up, as you go along  
Lau da lau de.  
Sing, like you like to sing  
God loves all simple things,  
For God, is the simplest of all  
For God, is the simplest of all.

I will sing the Lord a new song  
To praise God, to bless  
God, to bless the Lord.  
I will sing his praises, while I live  
All of my days.

Blessed is the man who loves the lord,  
Blessed is the man who praises him,  
Lau da lau da lau de  
And walks in his way.

I will lift up my eyes  
To the hills from whence comes my help,  
I will lift my voice to the Lord  
Singing lau da lau de.

For the lord, is my shade  
Is the shade upon my right hand,  
And the sun shall not smite me by day  
For the Lord my knight.

Blessed is the man who loves the Lord  
Lau da lau da lau de,  
And walks in his name  
Lau da lau da lau de,  
Lau da lau da di da di de-eh-eh,  
All of my days .

SCRIPTURE I Thessalonians 1:1-10 (NRSV)

Reader: Lesley Morgan-Thompson

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

<sup>2</sup>We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly <sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake.

<sup>6</sup>And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, <sup>7</sup>so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. <sup>8</sup>For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. <sup>9</sup>For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols,

to serve a living and true God,<sup>10</sup> and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

REFLECTION: Examples

The Rev. Dr. Rochelle A. Stackhouse

DUET

Find Us Faithful

John Mohr

*Madison Finke and Caroline Christopher, Warburton Music Interns*

We're pilgrims on the journey  
Of the narrow road,  
And those who've gone before us  
Line the way.  
Cheering on the faithful,  
Encouraging the weary,  
Their lives a stirring testament  
To god's sustaining grace.  
O may all who come behind us  
Find us faithful,  
May the fire of our devotion  
Light their way.  
May the footprints that we leave,  
Lead them to believe,  
And the lives we live  
Inspire them to obey.  
O may all who come behind us  
Find us faithful.  
Surrounded by so great  
A cloud of witnesses,  
Let us run the race  
Not only for the prize,  
But as those who've gone before us.  
Let us leave to those behind us,  
The heritage of faithfulness  
Passed on thru godly lives.  
After all our hopes and dreams  
Have come and gone,  
And our children sift thru all  
We've left behind,  
May the clues that they discover,

And the mem'ries they uncover,  
Become the light that leads them,  
To the road we each must find.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER ("debts")

CLOSING HYMN

We Are Your People

NCH 309

WHITFIELD

BLESSING

MUSICAL RESPONSE

May All Who Come Behind Us Find Us Faithful

John Mohr

*Our thanks to the everyone who created and participated  
in today's service.*

*Go in peace!*

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## We Are Your People

Brian Wren, 1973; rev. 1993

Unison

1 We are your peo - ple: Spir - it of grace,  
 2 Joined in com - mu - ni - ty, trea - sured and fed,  
 3 Rich in di - ver - si - ty, help us to live  
 4 Glad of tra - di - tion, help us to see

you dare to make us Christ to our neigh - bors  
 may we dis - cov - er gifts in each oth - er,  
 clos - er than neigh - bors, o - pen to strang - ers,  
 in all life's chang - ing, where Christ is lead - ing,

of ev - ery cul - ture and place.  
 will - ing to lead and be led.  
 a - ble to clash and for - give.  
 where our best ef - forts should be.

5 Give, as we ven - ture  
 jus - tice and care  
 (peace - ful, in - sist - ing,  
 risk - ing, re - sist - ing),  
 wis - dom to know when and where.

6 Spir - it, u - nite us,  
 make us, by grace,  
 will - ing and read - y,  
 Christ's liv - ing bod - y,  
 lov - ing the whole hu - man race.

Tune: WHITFIELD Irr.  
 John Wilson, 1975