

Sunday

Morning Worship



May 10th 9-30

Song Cornerstone

Welcome

The presence of God is minds that pray about the world;
Yes, God is found in minds seeking the way of truth.

The presence of God is eyes that see life's joy and pain;
Yes, God is found in eyes finding God's value in all.

The presence of God is words of tender eyes and hands;
Yes, God is found in words, silent but understood.

The presence of God is hands that touch our deepest needs;
Yes, God is found in hands giving both warmth and peace.

W.L Wallace 1990

Opening prayer

We turn aside from all that is transient, we seek not just to think about God, but to be with God and experience the Divine as the ground of our being. We seek to know, O God the presence of Jesus within us and to feel the breath of the Spirit which brings us home. Inspired by John Main

Reconciliation

In silence before God, and in the company of one another,
we acknowledge those things
for which we seek forgiveness and healing.

Silence

Goodness is stronger than evil;
love is stronger than hate;
life is stronger than death.
God forgives you, forgive others, forgive yourself
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Amen.**

Reading

Acts 7:55-60 Meriel Johansen

1 Peter 2:2-10 Meriel Johansen

Song Lord I Need You

Verse 1

Lord I come I confess

Bowing here I find my rest

And without You I fall apart

You're the one that guides my heart

Chorus 1

Lord I need You oh I need You

Ev'ry hour I need You

My one defense my righteousness

Oh God how I need You

Verse 2

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more

Where grace is found is where You are

And where You are Lord I am free

Holiness is Christ in me

Where You are Lord I am free

Holiness is Christ in me

Bridge

So teach my song to rise to You

When temptation comes my way

And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You

Jesus You're my hope and stay

And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You

Jesus You're my hope and stay

Chorus 2

Lord I need You oh I need You

Ev'ry hour I need You

My one defense my righteousness

Oh God how I need You

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John 14:1-14

Reflection

AffirmationAn Affirmation of Faith from the Iona Community

We believe that God is present

in the darkness before dawn;

in the waiting and uncertainty

where fear and courage join hands,

conflict and caring link arms,

and the sun rises over barbed wire.

We believe in a with-us God

who sits down in our midst

to share our humanity.

We affirm a faith

that takes us beyond the safe place:

into action, into vulnerability

and into the streets.

We commit ourselves to work for change

and put ourselves on the line;

to bear responsibility, take risks,

live powerfully and face humiliation;

to stand with those on the edge;

to choose life

and be used by the Spirit

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for God's new community of hope.
Amen.

**Thanksgiving and intercessions followed by
Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:
The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples
of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.
With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Peace in sign language

Song Glorified

Lord I come into Your holy place
Stand in awe of Your cleansing grace
Who am I that You would care for me
I glorify the One who died for me

Chorus
Glorify glorify
Let Your name be lifted up and glorified
Let the earth tremble at Your name
Let Your name be lifted up and glorified

Into Your hands I commit my life
Day by day as a living sacrifice
Who am I that You would care for me
I glorify the One who died for me²

Blessing

The blessing of God, the eternal goodwill of God, the shalom of God, the wildness and the warmth of God, be among us and beteen us now and always.
May the blessing of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you now and forever. Amen

Leader: Go now to love and serve God. Go in peace.

All: Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

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