

# Virtual UKIRK Sunday with UKIRK Greensboro

## Order of Worship

### Welcome & Introduction to UKIRK Greensboro

**Prelude**

*Liebestraum* by Liszt

Olivia Carratello

### Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, you are the great I Am, Alpha and Omega, beginning and end. Your Spirit moved among the waters of creation; your Spirit moves still among the waters of baptism. You are present among all the generations, and you call us together as one. As we dream dreams, tell stories, remember old times and celebrate new ones, draw us close to you as we worship together, that we may be inspired by you and one another. Through Christ and in Christ we pray. **Amen.**

### Call to Worship

One: God, you have searched us and known us.

**ALL: You know when we sit down. You know when we rise up.**

One: You discern our thoughts from far away.

**ALL: Where can we go from your spirit? Where can we flee from you?**

One: Wherever we go, you are there – in the highest heaven, in the deepest of places, everywhere in between.

**ALL: You are with us. You hear when we call. You keep us. We are never alone.**

### Opening Hymn

“Here in This Place”

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## CONFESSION & RECONCILIATION

### Invitation to Confession

As a parent does not forsake their nursing child, so God will not abandon us, even in our weakness. In the hope of this promise, we can show God all our faults, all our failures, all our wounds and bruises. That’s why we come to confess, Because we know that, unlike anyone else, God will not turn us away.

### Prayer of Confession (in UNISON)

**Merciful God,**

**You call each of us by name. You know us better than we know ourselves, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made. You love us, not because of what we have done, but often in spite of what we have done. Still, when we hear you call, we do not answer. We ignore you or we run away and cower in shadows. We don’t always view your presence among us as a blessing, but rather as a burden that we wish away out of fear or shame. Though you know us and love us completely, we often see ourselves as unknowable, unlovable, and utterly incomplete. Lord, in the midst of all our mess, redeem us. Forgive us. Cleanse us. Help us to start fresh that we might follow Jesus with our whole selves and, like Christ, love you, our neighbors, and ourselves with everything we have. Amen.**

### A Promise of Forgiveness & Peace

*The peace of Christ will also be shared in American Sign Language.*

**ONE: The peace of Christ be with you all.**

**ALL: And also with you.**

### A Message for All Ages

“A Church for All” by Gail E. Pitman

### Song of Praise

“Christ, Be Our Light”

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## WORD & SACRAMENT

### Scripture Reading

**Genesis 32:22-32 NRSV**

<sup>22</sup>The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup>He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. <sup>24</sup>Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. <sup>25</sup>When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob’s hip was put out of joint

as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup>Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' <sup>27</sup>So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' <sup>28</sup>Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' <sup>29</sup>Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup>So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' <sup>31</sup>The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip. <sup>32</sup>Therefore to this day the Israelites do not eat the thigh muscle that is on the hip socket, because he struck Jacob on the hip socket at the thigh muscle.

One: Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### Scripture Reading

**John 2:1-11 NRSV**

<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him. <sup>12</sup>After this he went down to Capernaum with his mother, his brothers, and his disciples; and they remained there for a few days.

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Sermon

It's Time

Rev. Katie Barrett Todd

### Affirmation of Faith

*from A Declaration of Faith, 9.1*

**In forming his people and sending them into the world Jesus called individuals to be disciples. They were to share the joy of his companionship, to understand and obey his teachings, and to follow him in life and in death. We confess that Christians today are called to discipleship. Life shared with Christ and shaped by Christ is God's undeserved gift to each of us. It is also God's demand upon every one of us, never perfectly fulfilled by any of us. Forgiven by God and supported by our siblings in Christ, we strive to become more faithful and effective in our daily practice of the Christian life.**

### THANKSGIVING & OFFERING

#### Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debt as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

### OFFERING

Offertory

*Traveling Mercies* by Lost Dog

Doxology

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

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#### Prayer of Dedication

All-powerful God, use these gifts, use our lives, and use this faith community to further your reach and reign in a hungry and hurting world. May your power be at work in and through us so that we will do justice, love mercy, and humbly serve others in our classrooms, dorm rooms, athletic fields, congregations, homes, neighborhoods and workplaces. Use us right here, right now. Amen.

Charge & Benediction

Postlude

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**SERVICE NOTES**

- Liturgy adapted from *UWorship*, a worship resource from UKIRK Collegiate Ministries
- Prelude music is **Liebstraum** by Franz Liszt, performed by Olivia Carratello
- Postlude music is **Zephyr**, performed by Rob & Connor Button
- All hymns performed by UKIRK Greensboro students and found in *Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal*
- Scripture texts are from the NRSV Bible
- Children’s message book *A Church for All* by Gayle E. Pitman

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