

Goodness

is stronger than

evil

love

is stronger than

hate

light

is stronger than

darkness

life

is stronger than

death.

September 11, 2011

—Desmond Tutu

A Community Service of Commemoration

Sunday, September 11, 2011

7:00 p.m.

Prelude

Lamajamal

Welcome

Joyce Shin

Call to Prayer (Adhan)

Omer F. Sultan

Allahu Akbar. God is great.

Those wishing to make their Magrib sunset prayer are invited to step out at their convenience and make their way to the balcony rooms of Anderson Hall via the south transept doors, which are to the left while facing the front of the sanctuary. Ushers are available to provide direction, and those leaving are asked to return to their seats by that same door. Worshipers remaining in the sanctuary are asked to save the seats for those returning.

Worship Notes

“Voices of Peace” (page 10) was commissioned by Chicago Sinai Congregation, the Chicago Downtown Islamic Center, Fourth Presbyterian Church, and Holy Name Cathedral in remembrance of the September 11, 2001 tragedy. Tonight’s performance is the premiere of this work composed by Aaron David Miller, Organist and Director of Music at House of Hope Presbyterian Church in St. Paul, Minnesota. The text is drawn from children’s poems about peace that were collected by the United Nations (www.un.org/cyberschoolbus/peaceday/poem).

Gifts to the freewill offering, which will be received at the door following the service, will be given to the Greater Chicago Food Depository, which provides food to those who are hungry and strives to end hunger in our community.

The bulletin cover image was designed in 2002 for the interfaith service cohosted by these faith communities to mark the first anniversary of 9/11.

All are invited to a reception in Anderson Hall following the service.

***Opening Hymn and Entrance Procession “Adon Olam” (lyrics at bottom)**

Descant
verse 4

4. Then in Your hand my - self I lay, And
1. A - don o - lam a - sher ma - lach, B' -
2. The God of all, who reigned su - preme, Ere
3. You are my God, my Sav - ior true, To
4. Then in Your hand my - self I lay, And

3
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trust - ing sleep, and wake with cheer, My soul and bod - y
te - rem kol y' - tzir niv - rah, L' - eit na - a - sah v' -
first cre - a - tion's form was framed; When all was fin - ished
whom I turn in sor - row's hour, My ban - ner proud, my
trust - ing sleep, and wake with cheer, My soul and bod - y

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6
are Your care. You are with me, I have no fear.
chef - tzo kol, A - zai me - lech sh' - mo nik - rah.
by Your will, Your name Al - mighty - y was pro - claimed.
ref - uge sure, Who hears and an - swers with Your power.
are Your care. You are with me, I have no fear.

1.
Adon olam asher malach,
B'terem kol y'tzир nivrah,
L'eit naasah v'cheftzo kol,
Azai melech sh'mo nikrah.

3.
You are my God, my savior true,
To whom I turn in sorrow's hour,
My banner proud, my refuge sure,
Who hears and answers with
Your power.

2.
The God of all, who reigned supreme,
Ere first creation's form was framed;
When all was finished by Your will,
Your name Almighty was proclaimed.

4. (and descant)
Then in Your hand myself I lay,
And trusting sleep,
and wake with cheer;
My soul and body are Your care.
You are with me, I have no fear.

Opening Prayer

John Buchanan

Anthem “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

Alan Hovhannes

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home. Before the hills in order stood or earth received her frame, from everlasting thou art God, to endless years the same. A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone, short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun. Time, like an ever-rolling stream, soon bears us all away; we fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home. Amen.

Reading from “*On a note of triumph*” by Norman Corwin

Izzy Kadish

God of test tube and blueprint,
Who joined molecules of dust and shook them 'til their names were
Adam and Eve,
Who taught worms and stars how they could live together,
Appear now among the parliaments of conquerors and give instruction
to their schemes.
Measure out new liberties so none shall suffer from their parents' color
or the credo of their choice.
Post proofs that human unity is not so wild a dream as those who
profit by postponing it pretend.
Sit at the treaty table and convey the hopes of little people through
expected straits.
And press into the final seal a sign that peace will come for longer than
posterities can see ahead,
That each one unto the other shall be a friend forever.

Reflection

Michael Sternfield

Prayer of Sorrow (*unison*)

Joyce Shin

With heads bowed down and hearts broken, we confess to you, O God, the sorrow we feel for the great mistakes your world has made. Together we bear the consequences of a creation marred by sin. Your truth has been twisted and your providence perverted. Anger has been sown and violence spread. And when violence is committed in your name, we shudder with shame. For the way things are, we are sorry, for we know your world has fallen short of your creation. We see the scars on both friend and stranger. We have condoned ignorance and allowed injustice, and we have made others to suffer for our mistakes.

We do not take lightly, great God, the damage done, the lives lost, and the grief immeasurable. We fear that the world is beyond repair. Look upon us, most merciful God, to see not just what has become of us, but some semblance of your image in which you created us. Redeem us, O God, as only you can do. Mend our hearts, put right our minds, and lift our faces that we may see each other as bearers of your image, glorious, vulnerable, and so very precious. Amen.

A Candlelighting Act of Remembrance

(Please light your candle by tipping the unlit candle over the lit candle)

Anthem “Adagio”

Samuel Barber

Tolling of the Bell

A bell will be tolled once for each of these remembrances:

for all persons on American Airlines Flight 11 and United Flight 175, which were flown into the World Trade Center
for persons who perished in the World Trade Center and neighboring buildings

for persons who were killed in the attack on the Pentagon

for persons who were killed in the crash of Flight 93 in Pennsylvania

for the firefighters, police, and rescue workers who died trying to save others

Hymn "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

Tune: RESIGNATION

1. My Shep-herd will sup-ply my need; there is noth-ing I shall want.
 2. When I walk through the shades of death Your pres-ence is my stay;
 3. The sure pro-vi-sions of my God At-tend me all my days;

In pas-tures fresh He makes me feed, Be-side the liv-ing stream.
 One word of Your sup-port-ing breath Drives all my fears a-way.
 O may Your House be my a-bode, And all my work be praise.

He brings my wan-dering spir-it back, When I for-sake His ways;
 Your hand, in sight of all my foes, Does still my ta-ble spread;
 There would I find-a set-tled rest, While oth-ers go and come;

And leads me, for His mer-cy's sake, In paths of truth and grace.
 My cup with bless-ings o-ver-flows, Your oil a-noints my head.
 No more a strang-er, or a guest, But like a child at home.

(Please extinguish your candle prior to the reading)

Reading A prayer from the Catholic Mass

Michael Fuchs

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy, keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ, for the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.

A Litany of Remembrance

Joyce Shin

Leader: God of all ages, your faithfulness astounds us. It endures from age to age. You do not let darkness overtake us. You do not let hopelessness seize us. When the world comes crashing down, you raise your people, generation after generation, out of the rubble and give to each a horizon of hope.

People: **We remember your faithfulness.**

Leader: There are generations that remember what happened on this day ten years ago, whose minds still see the destruction of buildings and of lives, whose souls still tremble at the shock. In need of you, O God, whose love is greater than the forces of hatred and violence,

People: **we have sought your faithfulness.**

Leader: For the sake of those whose lives have been forever changed, who have lost family or friend, and whose grief has pressed upon them the preciousness of life,

People: **we pray for your faithfulness.**

Leader: Stunned at first by death and destruction, we have come a far distance. We have been moved by those who thought of others first, by those who willingly went into danger, by those who remained behind with the infirm and injured. Because of the courage, compassion, and care of so many,

People: **we give thanks for your faithfulness.**

Leader: It is true that the world will never be the same. The world bears scars silent and deep. But deeper than its scars is your imprint upon creation, O God. You have designed us for love and unity. Let spring this design from within our hearts and give to each generation voices that speak and sing anew of your love.

People: **Together, we proclaim your faithfulness.**

A Children's Song "Love Is the Answer"

Unknown

The world is full of people of many different kind, of many different colors, of many different minds. Can we live together and build a world of love? The answer lies with you and me, so lift your eyes above. The world is full of people of many different kind, of many different colors, of many different minds. Sing a song to each other, with love in your heart for your sisters and brothers. The world is full of people of many different kind, of many different colors, of many different minds. Love is the answer. Yes, love is the key and can build a better world for you and me. The world is full of people of many different kind, of many different colors, of many different minds.

Reading from Qur'an, The Last Supper (Al-Maeda), 48

Riyah Basha

For every one of you did We appoint a law and a way. And if God had willed, He would have made you all a single community, but that He might test you in what He gave you. Therefore compete with one another to hasten to virtuous deeds. To God you all shall return, so He will inform you in what you have been differing.

Reflection

Zaher Sahloul

*Hymn "O for a World"

Tune: AZMON

1. O for a world where ev - ery-one Re - spects each oth - er's ways,
2. O for a world where goods are shared And mis - er - y re - lieved,
3. We wel - come one world fam - i - ly And strug - gle with each choice
4. The poor are rich, the weak are strong, The fool - ish ones are wise.

Where love is lived and all is done With jus - tice and with praise.
Where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, E - qual - i - ty a - chieved.
That o - pens us to u - ni - ty And gives our vi - sion voice.
Tell all who mourn; Out - casts be - long, Who stum - bles will rise.

5. O for a world preparing for
God's glorious reign of peace,

Where time and tears will be no more,
And all but love will cease.

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;
like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly,
and rejoice with joy and singing.

The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,
the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.
They shall see the glory of the Lord,
the majesty of our God.

Strengthen the weak hands,
and make firm the feeble knees.
Say to those who are of a fearful heart,
“Be strong, do not fear!
Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.
He will come and save you.”

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;
the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

A highway shall be there,
and it shall be called the Holy Way;
the unclean shall not travel on it,
but it shall be for God’s people;
no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray.

No lion shall be there,
nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it;
they shall not be found there,
but the redeemed shall walk there.

And the ransomed of the Lord shall return,
and come to Zion with singing;
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;
they shall obtain joy and gladness,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Anthem “Voices of Peace”

Aaron David Miller

Here we gather, our hearts united in song; our spirits joined in a hope for the future, we gather our desires; we know our fears yet we sing for peace. Pacem, shalom, salaam, peace.

Adam, 11 years old, Aswan, Egypt

Peace is our rivers flowing; peace is the sunlight glowing.

Community School, Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada

Let peace be like a flowing river, flowing into the open hearts of humanity.

Banani International Secondary School, Lusaka, Zambia

If you are brokenhearted under this sky, I will share my peace with you.

International School of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

We sing the peace song; it is the song of all children. It is our wish.

Alica, 6 years old, Kosice, Slovakia

Peace is in the waves at sea. Peace must begin with you and me!

Gander Middle School, Gander, Newfoundland, Canada

Peace is hope in your heart. Peace is faith and not fear.

Brewster Elementary School, Rochester Hills, Missouri, United States

From peace we come and to peace we go, meanwhile peace is something we don't know.

Oakdale High School, Riversdale, South Africa

Peace grows like a tree, spreads like a forest from you to me.

Lakeview Elementary School, Trophy Club, Texas, United States

Life is a journey. Live it in peace.

St. Julie Billiart School, Hamilton, Ohio, United States

Peace takes its flight like an endless ribbon streaming out towards a horizon of dreams. Let dreams transcend into eternal peace, uniting us forever, one memorable day!

Zaneb, 8 years old, Somalia

Peace is in the air. Peace is in you. Peace is in everybody. You can feel it even when you are crying, you still have peace inside of you.

Dylan, 7 years old, Ketchum, Idaho, United States

***Closing Prayer** (*unison*)

Calum MacLeod

Almighty, all-merciful God,
you have called us to love one another,
to love our neighbors as ourselves.
In remembering a time of violence and fear,
let peace rule in our hearts,
so that we may not be overcome with evil
but overcome evil with good.
Help us to see each person
in light of your love.
Put away the nightmares of terror,
and awaken us to the dawning
of your new creation.
Establish among us a future
where peace reigns,
justice is done with mercy,
and all your children are reconciled.
Amen.

***Closing Song** “Shalom, Peace, Salaam”

John W. W. Sherer

1
Sha - lom Peace — Sa - laam (hummm)

2
Sa - laam Peace Sha - lom (hummm)

3
Peace Sa - laam Sha - lom (hummm)

The musical score consists of three staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The time signature is 4/4. The first staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B-flat4, and a quarter note C5. The second staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B-flat4, and a quarter note C5. The third staff begins with a quarter note G4, followed by a quarter note A4, a quarter note B-flat4, and a quarter note C5. Each staff ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The lyrics are written below the notes, and the instruction '(hummm)' is written below the final note of each line.

This piece is a breath prayer for peace in our hearts, peace with our neighbors, and peace in all the world. After repeating the first line, the second and third lines may be added at any time. Any of the lines can be repeated until each person feels that the prayer is completed, at which point the final note should be hummed. The final note should continue until all are humming.

Blessing and Dismissal

Calum MacLeod

Postlude

Lamajamal

Worship Leaders

The Reverend Joyce Shin, Fourth Presbyterian Church
Omer F. Sultan, The Downtown Islamic Center
Michael Fuchs, Holy Name Cathedral
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