Trinity Church: May 10, 2020

*This song list can be found on Indy Trinity Worship Playlist on Spotify (click any song to get there)

COMMUNAL SONGS

Great Are You Lord

Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Be Thou My Vision

All Ye Tenderhearted

CALL TO WORSHIP

Read Psalm 31. 1-5, 15-16. This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

COMMUNITY CONFESSION

Leader: We long to live as God's people, yet in the very depths of our lives, we know how we have hurt those around us, through words and actions, as well as from indifference. But God hears us when we call, and answers with the grace we need. Let us pray together, as we confess our lives to our God.

ALL: How you must grieve over us, God of all. You give us blessings to share with others, but we hoard everything for ourselves. You look for us to join you in serving the most vulnerable, but find us worshiping the wealthy and powerful. You offer us joy and wonder to embrace, but we continue to cling to weapons and things. Have mercy on us, Anointing God, as you pour your forgiveness into our foolish lives. Plant the seeds of grace, hope, love, and peace in us, so we may blossom and share these gifts with all our neighbors.

Silent Reflection

Leader: God's love is not logical and understandable. For God forgives those we never would, and welcomes those we would continue to ignore.

ALL: This is the One who has mercy on everyone, pouring grace and joy into everyone, including us! Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING & PRACTICE INTRO

<u>John 14.1-14</u>

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S TABLE LITURGY

Leader: Benevolent God, we come before you today to lift our prayers for the aching hearts across the world.

ALL: For all the uncertainties that plague our hearts and minds, we pray.

Leader: For the country of Yemen as warring continues, famine becomes inevitable, and medical equipment is scarce.

ALL: We lift prayers for this country that continues to suffer much loss, facing the unimaginable in the midst of war.

Leader: Lord, we give thanks for women all over the globe who love and care for our world.

ALL: We give thanks for your provisions, through those who mother us and give of themselves in birthing new life.

Leader: For the incarcerated who are put in harm's way in close quarters and whose human dignity has been disregarded, especially during this pandemic.

ALL: Lord, even under lockdown, we still come and go quite freely. For all those who have been impacted directly or indirectly by violence, we pray.

Leader: For victims of domestic violence and for the missing and murdered indigenous women and girls, their stories made invisible by ignorance.

ALL: Lord, illuminate hatred and weave the stories of their lives into the fabric of our existence, moving us toward justice.

Leader: We lift prayers for marginalized, oppressed and minority populations around the world.

ALL: For all the targets of police brutality, Dreasjon Reed and Ahmaud Arbery, and the ones whose names we don't know. Leader: We lift prayers for your creation. God.

ALL: During times when Creation cares for us and our eyes remain distracted by the never-ending coronavirus news cycles, we ask for protection of Planet Earth.

Leader: For the elected officials in our local and federal government.

ALL: May the Holy Spirit provide wisdom for them as they lead humbly, with integrity and with human beings' best interests in

Leader: We lift prayers for your Kingdom, Lord.

ALL: For all whom the sun touches, for all who breathe the air, for all whose hearts beat, for all things of your creation.

As followers of Jesus, may we be a light, may we by love, may we be a different way of experiencing the world.

Leader: As we remember God's constant presence with us, we choose to respond - to lean in, to worship. As we remember God's persistence in offering grace to us, and celebrate the joy of following Jesus, we speak of the mystery we know as faith:

ALL: Christ died for all our sins; Christ was raised for all; Christ comes, to lead us into God's presence. Lord, we ask that as we partake of the bread and the cup, your Holy Spirit bless these gifts and transform us, your gathered people, to faithfully love you and our neighbors with all our being.

Leader: Let us commune at the table of the Lord; it is open to all who seek life with God.

RESPONSE & OFFERING OF WORSHIP

The Offering Basket

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BENEDICTION

Leader: God sends us, so that grace will not be rare in our time.

ALL: Here we are, ready to share love and mercy with those around us.

Leader: Jesus calls us to respond, so that justice will not be rare in our time.

ALL: Here we are, ready to speak truth to power, in solidarity with those on oppression's mean streets.

Leader: The Spirit fills us with compassion, so that peace will not be rare in our time.

ALL: Here we are, offering hope to those living in fear, working for reconciliation in brokenness.

REFLECTION & PRACTICE

<u>Communitas: The Spirit of Community – Communal Intercession</u> John 14.1-14

*For discussion prompts and prayer guide, visit the series page here.