



# Living in Community With Christ

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Prelude

In Christ There Is No East or West

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Greeting

Gathering Hymn

All Are Welcome

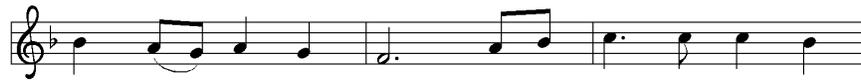
Sing verse 5



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly  
2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and  
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and  
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and  
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how  
true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to  
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where  
stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and  
heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of  
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we  
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in  
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an  
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -



Christ shall end di - vi - sions:  
claim the faith of Je - sus:  
Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,  
end to fear and dan - ger:  
claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

## Prayer

Mysterious One, in Jesus you redeem us and invite all people to a place in your glory. Draw us closer to you, and in so doing, draw us closer to one another, that we may be strengthened to follow in the way of Jesus' cross and resurrection. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

## Scripture

Mark 10:32-45

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter.

### Glory to you, O Lord

<sup>32</sup>They were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them what was to happen to him, <sup>33</sup>saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death; then they will hand him over to the Gentiles; <sup>34</sup>they will mock him, and spit upon him, and flog him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise again." <sup>35</sup>James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" <sup>39</sup>They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." <sup>41</sup>When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

The gospel of the Lord.

### Praise to you, O Christ.

## Reflection

Chip Wilson

## Hymn

Make Me a Servant

Make me a ser - vant, hum - ble and meek.  
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.  
And may the prayer of my heart al - ways be:  
Make me a ser - vant, make me a ser - vant,  
make me a ser - vant to - day.

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## Prayers of Intercession

As a community of grace, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

Creator God, the whole world is yours and all that is in it. Grant us strength and courage to care for all you created.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Loving God, you bless us with neighbors and community as opportunities to show your love for all your children. Open our hearts to the needs of those around us.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Comforting God, you reach out to people who are marginalized with radical hospitality. Open our eyes to those we may choose not to see. May your example turn into our acts of service.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Living God, you show us how to be in community by walking in the way of the cross. Let our service to others reflect your sacrificial love.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, we pray for those who have joined the community of saints. As you welcome them into your loving embrace, console us who mourn until we are reunited with them through you.

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, spoken and those deep within, with your never-ending love and mercy.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## Blessing

The Creator who fashions us together with all things,  
the Christ who leads us into a new beloved community,  
the Spirit who holds us in the communion of saints,  
one God, ✝ bless you now and always.

**Amen.**



1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,  
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com - mu - nion find;  
3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.  
4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



but one com - mu - ni - ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.  
his ser - vice is the gold - en cord close bind - ing hu - man-kind.  
All chil - dren of the liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.  
all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852–1941, alt.  
Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949

### Dismissal

Go in peace, joined together in Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

The worship service ends with a time of silence

