Notes for Today's Worship

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Gathering

Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn: "There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy" (page 3)

Centering

Scripture: Mark 1:14-20

Marisa Fraley (MDiv ’17)

Spoken Word

Demi McCoy (MDiv ’17)

Scripture: Jonah 3:1-5

Darnysha Nard (MDiv ’17)

Proclaiming

Sermon

Dean Gail O’Day

Responding

* Communion

ALL:
Holy, holy, holy God
of love and majesty
the whole universe speaks of your glory,
O God Most High.

Blessed is the one
who comes in the name of our God!
Hosanna in the highest

Communion Song: "Feed Us, Lord" (page 5)

Sending

* Closing Hymn: "For Everyone Born" (page 4-5)

* Benediction

* Please stand in body and/or spirit.
There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1. There's a wide-ness in God's merc-y, like the wide-ness of the sea;
   for the sin-ner, and a prom-ised grace made good;
   God is broa-d-er than the mea-sures of our mind;
   owe to Je-sus; it is some-thing more than all:

2. There's a kind-ness in God's jus-tice which is more than
   there is mer-cy with the Sav-ior; there is heal-ing
   and the heart of the E-ter-nal is most won-der-
   great-er good be-cause of e-vil, larg-er mer-cy

3. Lib-er-ty. There is no place where earth's sor-rows
   ful-ly kind. But we make this love too nar-row
   through the fall. Make our love, O God, more faith-ful;

4. Are more felt than up in heav'n. There is no place
   of new worlds as great as this; there is room for
   by false lim-its of our own; and we mag-ni-

5. Where earth's fail-ings have such kind-ly judg-ment giv'n.
   fresh cre-a-tions in that up-per home of bliss.
   fy its strict-ness with a zeal God will not own.
   be thanks-giv-ing for the good-ness of the Lord.

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There's a Wideness in God's Mercy
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For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
for everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, a place at the table,

For woman and man, a place at the table,
For young and for old, a place at the table,
For just and unjust, a place at the table,
For everyone born, a place at the table,

for everyone born, clean water and bread,
revising the roles, deciding the share,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
abuser, abused, with need to forgive,

a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
with wisdom and grace dividing the power,
the hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled,
in anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy,

to live without fear, and simply to be,
to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
for everyone born, a star overhead.
for woman and man, a system that's fair.
for young and for old, the right to belong.
for just and unjust, a new way to live.

for everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, a place at the table,
for woman and man, a place at the table,
for everyone born, a place at the table,

And God will delight when we are creators of justice and

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For Everyone Born (Continued)

joy, compassion and peace: yes,

God will delight when we are creators of justice,

justice and joy!

Feed Us, Lord

Not many Lord’s Supper hymns call attention to the post-Resurrection meals Christ shared with his disciples, but the first stanza here alludes to the meal at Emmaus, when he was made known in the breaking of the bread (Luke 24:13-35), and stanza three refers to “the risen Christ.”

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