



# THE AMERICAN CHURCH IN PARIS

**19 June 2022, 11h00**

**Welcome, we are so happy you are here!**

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## **We Gather**

Prelude      Prelude in C minor      *J.S. Bach*  
Rondeau from "Symphony of Fanfares"      *Jean Joseph Mouret*  
Fred Gramann, *organ*

Welcome, Greeting      Paul Rock  
The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

 Call to Worship      Allison Wheeler

From the corners of the world, from the confusion of life, from the loneliness of our hearts, gather us, O God. To feed our minds, to fire our imagination, to free our hearts, gather us, O God.

**God of all peoples, of all nations, on this day of freedom, we celebrate triumphantly with all people of goodwill, that we might walk arm in arm towards justice for all.**

Breathe into us your eternal breath, that we may never tire of ensuring a flourishing life for all people, but most especially, those brothers and sisters whose growth has been stifled by the traumas of enslavement and oppression.

**O God, we know and have seen your goodness, and because of it, we cling to the hope that unity and liberation for all are within our grasp. Continue to show us your goodness, that we may have the strength to advance your kingdom with humility and grace.**



## From Many Nations Gathered

*tune: AURELIA* (“The church’s one foundation”)  
lyrics by Dr. Thomas Duggan, ACP Senior Pastor from 1978-1992

***From many nations gathered, we worship Christ our Lord.  
Though languages may differ, we sing with one accord.  
To all who have not seen it, the light of Christ we bear.  
We are Christ’s servant people, faith, hope and love to share.  
Reborn in Christ’s own image, through water and the Word,  
We strive on earth for justice; let God’s Good News be heard.  
Christ’s body broken for us, new life through bread and wine,  
May God’s own people witness to love and grace divine.  
To feed your starving people, to heal a world in pain,  
To cease from all our conflicts, a peaceful world regain.  
Lead us, your servants peoples, in paths of unity,  
So we may serve you gladly, your new creation be.***



Allison Wheeler

**Ever present God, you have called us to be in relationship with one another and promised to dwell wherever two or three are gathered. In our community, we are many different people; we come from many different places, and have many different cultures. Open our hearts that we may be bold in finding the riches of inclusion and the treasures of diversity among us. *(time of silent prayer)***

We pray in faith. **Amen.***-The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

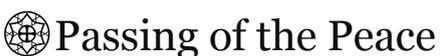
Friends, in his person, by wise words and loving deeds, Jesus revealed God to us all. Now, we continue to meet Jesus as we encounter one another, everyday. Be assured that we are guided by God today, in relationship with one another, through the love Christ reveals, and the presence of the Holy Spirit, to establish the justice Christ proclaimed, to empower us towards harmony and peace, and to unite us by that one love that binds us to each other and to God. **Amen.**



Sacrament of Baptism

Allison Wheeler, Paul Rock

Isaure Gibergues-Seve, *daughter of Margot Gibergues-Seve and Alexis Gibergues-Newton*

*Scripture reading: 2 Peter 1:5-7**Children may come forward for the baptism and then go to their worship space.*

Solo

Psalm 22

Fred Gramann

*All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before him, for dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations.*

Jennifer Young, soloist Fred Gramann, organ

**Sermon Series: Practicing Ubuntu -  
How to be Loving in Our Fiercely Divided World**

*What does it mean to be French, American, Democratic, Socialist, Progressive or Conservative — AND Christian. Ubuntu = Zulu “I Am Because You/We Are.”*

Scripture Readings

Teri Lee Valluy, Max Valluy

Mark 12:28-31; John 13:34 (pages 825 and 877 in the pew Bibles)

Sermon

How to Follow Jesus When the Earth Is Shaking

Reggie Williams

**We Respond and Are Sent into the World**

Prayers of the People

Don Lee

*We bring our struggles, celebrations, and selves to God.*

The Lord's Prayer (*in your mother tongue*)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into  
temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Offertory Solo

God is my Shepherd

Antonín Dvořák

Jennifer Young, soloist Fred Gramann, organ

 Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow  
In heav'n above and earth below!  
One God, three persons, we adore;  
To God be praise forevermore!***

 Prayer of Dedication

 Hymn No. 386

O For a World

tune: AZMON

 Benediction

Reggie Williams

 Congregational Amen, No. 586

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