



Meditation Text

Trust is the basis of life. Without trust, no human being can live. Trapeze artists offer a beautiful image of this. Flyers have to trust their catchers. They can do the most spectacular doubles, triples, or quadruples, but what finally makes their performance spectacular are the catchers who are there for them at the right time in the right place.

Much of our lives is flying. It is wonderful to fly in the air free as a bird, but when God isn't there to catch us, all our flying comes to nothing. Let's trust in the Great Catcher.

Henri Nouwen

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Chiming the Trinity

Prelude

In Thee is Gladness

arr. Diane Bish

Invocation

Frank Granger

Hymn

For the Healing of the Nations

CWM RHONDDA

*For the healing of the nations Lord we pray with one accord
For a just and equal sharing Of the things that earth affords
To a life of love in action Help us rise and pledge our word
Help us rise and pledge our word*

*Lead us forward into freedom From despair Your world release
That redeemed from war and hatred All may come and go in peace
Show us how through care and goodness Fear will die and hope increase
Fear will die and hope increase*

*All that kills abundant living Let it from the earth be banned
Pride of status race or schooling Dogmas that obscure Your plan
In our common quest for justice May we hallow life's brief span
May we hallow life's brief span*

*You Creator-God have written Your great name on humankind
For our growing in Your likeness Bring the life of Christ to mind
That by our response and service Earth its destiny may find
Earth its destiny may find
Fred Kaan, 1965*

Scripture Lesson

Amos 5:18-24

Chris Conley

Children's Moment

Janet Cleland

Testimony in Song

For the Troubles and the Sufferings of the World
Keelin Walsh, Choral Scholar

Rodolfo Gaede Neto

*For the troubles and the sufferings of the world, God, we call upon your mercy:
the whole creation's laboring in pain! Lend a ear to the rising cry for help
from oppressed and hopeless people. Come! Hasten your salvation, healing love!*

*We pray for peace, the blessed peace that comes from making justice, to cover and embrace us.
Have mercy, Lord! We pray for power, the power that will sustain your people's witness:
until your Kingdom come, have mercy, Lord.*

Unison Prayer for Justice and The Lord's Prayer

Matt Marston

Grant us, Lord God, a vision of your world as your love would have it:
a world where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor;
a world where the riches of creation are shared, and everyone can enjoy them;
a world where different races and cultures live in harmony and mutual respect;
a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love.
Give us the inspiration and courage to build it,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Lesson

Romans 1:11-17

Anna Randa

Sermon

Can Christians Add Anything to Conversations About Justice?

Matt Marston

Stewardship Prayer

Helen Mills, Deacon

Offertory

Holy Is the Lord

arr. Wyrzten

Benediction

Matt Marston

Postlude

In Christ There Is No East or West

arr. Dale Wood
