

February 27th, 2022

Worship you tube link: <https://youtu.be/u3o6zw4DG M>

PRELUDE: #706 *Come let us sing of a wonderful love*

(Robert Walmsley)

OPENING WORDS:

CHILDREN'S TIME: #376 *Shine Jesus Shine!*

(Graham Kendrick)

♪ *God Lord, the light of your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness, shining
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us
Set us free by the truth you now bring us
Shine on me, shine on me*

***Shine, Jesus, shine! Fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze! Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow -flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth your word Lord, and let there be light***

*As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story
Shine on me, shine on me **Chorus***

SCRIPTURE: Mark 12:28-34 (NRSV)

Reader: Paul Miller

This is the word of the Lord - ...thanks be to God.

PASTORAL RAYER:

♪ *Response: #474 The God of Love comes close*

(John Bell)

As we learn about and celebrate the work of Presbyterian World Service and Development today, let us pray – I will share in prayer firstly the prayer written by our denomination for this PWS&D Sunday:

♪ *The love of God comes close where stands an open door,
to let the stranger in, to mingle rich and poor.
**The love of God is here to stay, embracing those
who walk the Way; the love of God is here to stay***

...We ask your blessing on PWS&D...give to its staff a strong sense of purpose...

♪ *The peace of God comes close to those caught in the storm,
forgoing lives of ease to ease the lives forlorn.*

***The peace of God is here to stay, embracing those
who walk the Way; the peace of God is here to stay***

Loving God as we come today there are many prayers in our hearts – we are so concerned about the tension in our world – we pray for those in Ukraine,

♪ *The grace of God comes close to those whose grace is spent,
when hearts are tired or sore and hope is bruised and bent.*

***The grace of God is here to stay, embracing those
who walk the Way; the grace of God is here to stay***

SERMON: *PWS&D: Celebrating 75 years* (Preacher: Guy Smagge- director)

OFFERING: *Glory to God*

CLOSING HYMN: #379 *From heaven you came*

(Graham Kendrick)

♪ *From heaven you came, helpless babe,
Entered our world, your glory veiled;
Not to be served but to serve,
and give your life that we might live.*

***This is our God, the Servant King,
He calls us now to follow him,
To bring our lives as a daily offering
of worship to the Servant King.***

*There in the garden of tears, my heavy load he chose to bear;
His heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not my will but yours,' he said.*

Chorus

*So let us learn how to serve,
And in our lives enthrone him;
Each other's needs to prefer, for it is Christ we're serving.*

Chorus

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: #472 *We are God's people*

(Bryan Jeffery Leech)

BLESSING: *Go now in peace*

(Don Besig)