

Monte Vista Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
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Transgender Awareness Sunday

November 24, 2024
10:30am MT

Order of Worship

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Dawn Rosignol

Prelude

Communion
by Charles Gounod

Paulette McClellan

*Call to Worship

Anne Loveless

One: We are called to follow Jesus' way of love, justice, and inclusion. We do this by:

Many: facing issues of faith openly and honestly,

One: nourishing the spirit of God within us all,

Many: creating a caring community that celebrates human diversity,

One: and working to create a just society.

Many: We receive with respect, and nurture with intention, the gifts of our trans siblings.

One: Let us celebrate the dignity and worth of trans lives and honor the flourishing of all lives.

Many: We worship the God of all, celebrating the belovedness of all.

*Opening Hymn

Sing a New World into Being

*Opening Prayer

Anne

God of Love, we give thanks that you draw us into your presence and call us all your beloveds. Help us, especially our transgender siblings who are threatened and made to feel unworthy, to breath in that truth. Embolden us to always create spaces where trans youth and adults can be safe, valued, and free. Make us liberators who actively seek justice and resist anti-trans policies and practices. In your many holy names we pray. Amen.

First Scripture Reading

Romans 8:22-27

Janice Devereaux

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not

know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

One: A word from God for the people of God. **Many: Thanks be to God.**

Prayer Hymn

Jesus, You Have Truly Called Us

(Please share your prayer concerns & joys with Rev. Dawn at revdawn@montevista.org.)

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Rev. Dawn

Transgender Siblings Murdered This Year

Joni Harstine & Janice

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (in unison)

Blessed One, our Father and our Mother. Holy is your name. May your love be embodied in the world. May your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Protect us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For all that we do in your love, and all that your love brings to birth, and the fullness of love that will be, are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Special Music

Give Thanks to the Lord
by Lloyd Larson

Vista Voices

Second Scripture Reading

John 8:1-11

Joni

After Jesus had been to the Mount of Olives, early in the morning he came again to the temple. All the people came to Jesus and he sat down and began to teach them. The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery; and making her stand before all of them, they said to him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. Now in the law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" They said this to test Jesus, so that they might have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger on the ground. When they kept on questioning Jesus, he straightened up and said to them, "Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." And once again Jesus bent down and wrote on the ground. When they heard it, they went away, one by one, beginning with the elders; and Jesus was left alone with the woman standing before him. Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She said, "No one, sir." And Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go your way, and from now on do not sin again."

One: A word from God for the people of God. **Many: Thanks be to God.**

Testimonies

Joni Harstine & Janice Devereaux
in dialogue with Rev. Dawn

Special Music

Alpenglow
by Moira G. Boynton

Vista Bells

Sharing in Communion and Stewardship

Invitation to the Table

Joni

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on the [Givelify app](#), or by mailing your check to the church office. Thank you.)

*Communion Hymn

All Belong Here

Words of Institution

Rev. Dawn

Prayers for the Elements

Janice

Receiving Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Dawn

Invitation to the Community of MVCC

Rev. Dawn

*Closing Hymn

Blest Be the Holy Other

*Announcements

Rev. Dawn

*Benediction

Rev. Dawn

Postlude

Andante with Variations
by Felix Mendelssohn

Paulette

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Anne Loveless, Worship Leader

Paulette McClellan, Organist/Pianist

Wally Miller, Sound

Janice Devereaux & Joni Harstine, Testimonies

Rev. Dr. Dawn Rosignol, Senior Minister, Presiding



# Sing a New World into Being

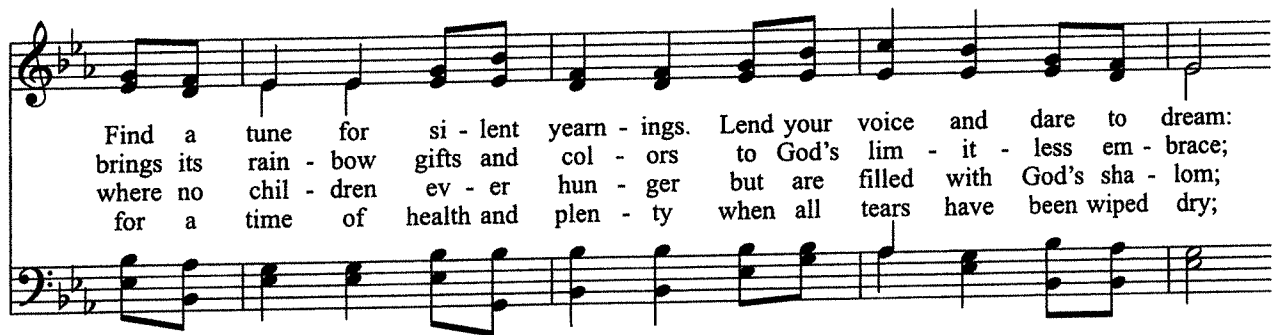
Mary Louise Bringle

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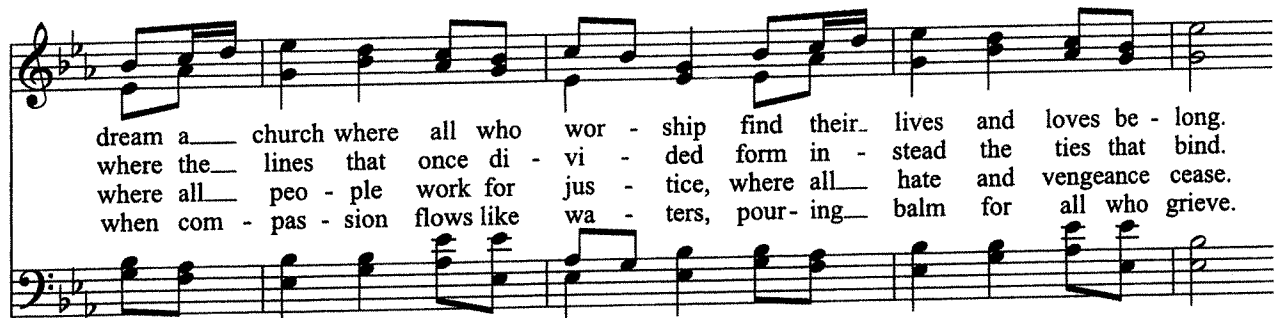
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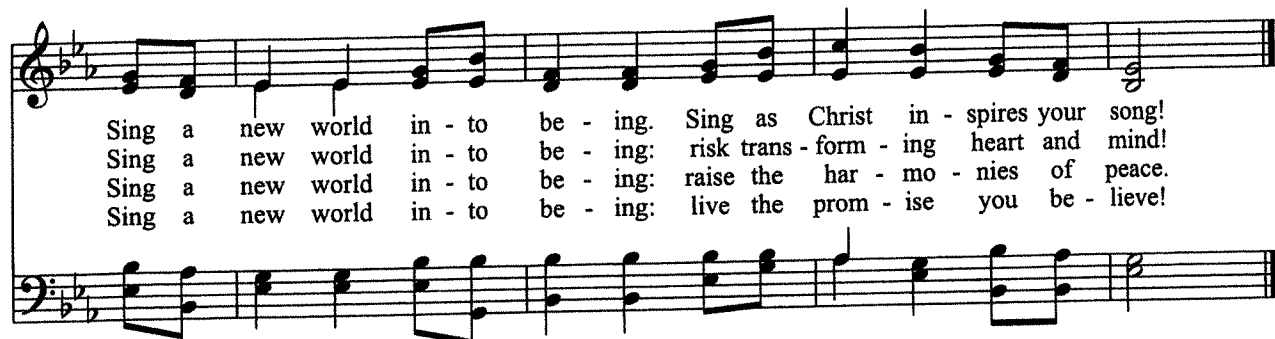
1. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Sound a bold and hope - ful theme.  
2. Sing a new world in - to be - ing where each gen - der class and race.  
3. Sing a new world in - to be - ing where the home - less find a home.  
4. Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Join the an - cient proph - ets' cry



Find a tune for si - lent yearn - ings. Lend your voice and dare to dream:  
brings its rain - bow gifts and col - ors to God's lim - it - less em - brace;  
where no chil - dren ev - er hun - ger but are filled with God's sha - lom;  
for a time of health and plen - ty when all tears have been wiped dry;



dream a church where all who wor - ship find their lives and loves be - long.  
where the lines that once di - vi - ded form in - stead the ties that bind.  
where all peo - ple work for jus - tice, where all hate and vengeance cease.  
when com - pas - sion flows like wa - ters, pour - ing balm for all who grieve.



Sing a new world in - to be - ing. Sing as Christ in - spires your song!  
Sing a new world in - to be - ing: risk trans - form - ing heart and mind!  
Sing a new world in - to be - ing: raise the har - mo - nies of peace.  
Sing a new world in - to be - ing: live the prom - ise you be - lieve!

# Jesus, You Have Truly Called Us

Unison F Dm B $\flat$  B $\flat$ /C

1 Je - sus, you have tru - ly called us. Still, to - day, we hear your  
 2 Je - sus, save us from poor choic - es. Ha-tred, run - ning like a  
 3 Je - sus, save us from our weak - ness, from de - ceit and from de -

F F F/E Dm Dm/C B $\flat$  B $\flat$ /C

voice. Lead us on - ward, lead us up - ward, till all peo - ple can re -  
 thread through the fab - ric of our his - t'ry, mars our faith and leaves us  
 spair. Move us on to new cre - a - tion in a world that's free and

F Refrain Am Am/C Dm Dm/C B $\flat$

joice.  
 dead. Meet us in our time of tri - al, fill us with your Spir - it's  
 fair.

B $\flat$ /C C Dm Am/C B $\flat$  F/A Gm7 B $\flat$ /C F

power. As we stand be - fore op - pres - sion, give us cour - age for this hour.

WORDS: Daniel Charles Damon

MUSIC: Attr. B. F. White, *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; arr. Daniel Charles Damon

BEACH SPRING

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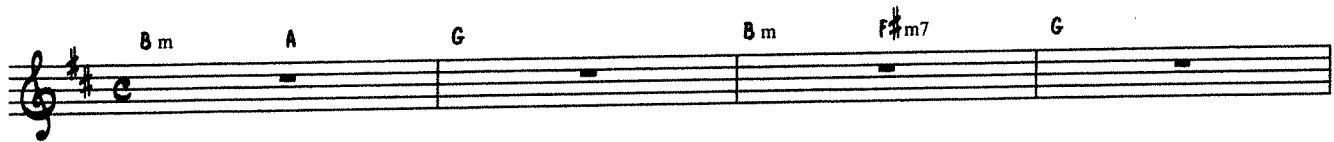
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# All Belong Here

as recorded by The Many

Lead Sheet

Lyrics by Lenora Rand  
Music by Hannah Rand



## Verse 1

When you're not sure who you real - ly are, When all you feel is the  
shape of your scars, And you have more wounds than you can count, O - pen your  
eyes, look all a - round, You aren't a - lone, this is your home.

## Chorus

Come and re - mem - ber who you are here. Do this to — re - mem - ber who I  
am. Come and re - mem - ber you be - long here. All be - long here.



## Verse 2

When you don't know how to for - give, — When locked doors seem like the

on-ly way to live, And you've got more ques-tions than you can count, O-pen your

eyes, look all a-round, You aren't a - lone, this is your home.

*Bridge*

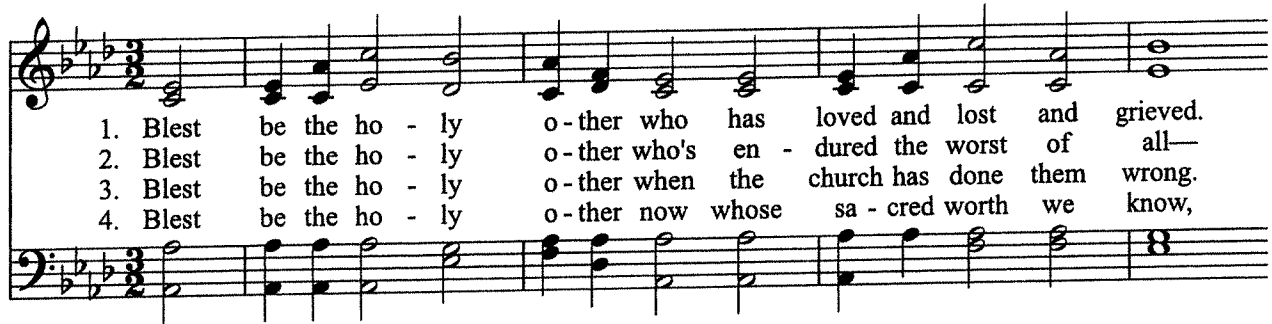
At\_ this ta - ble\_ come as you are, bro - ken and bleed-ing's o - k.\_

At\_ this ta - ble\_ eat and be filled, come\_ and drink in this grace.\_

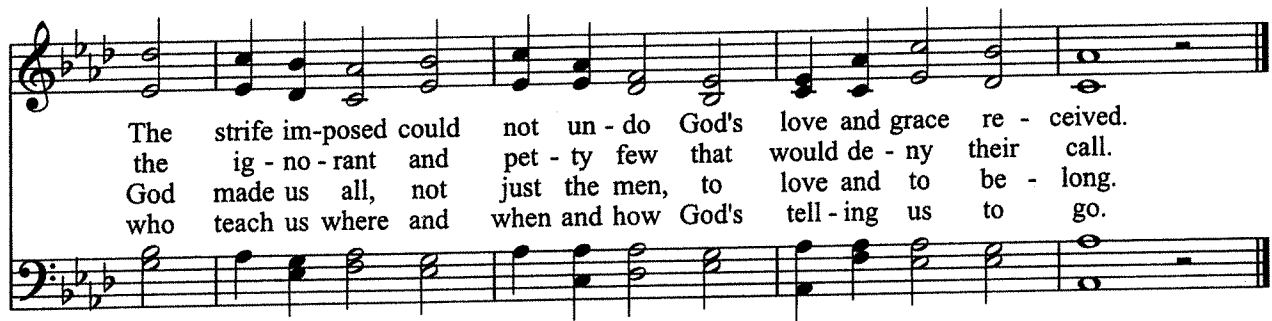
# Blest Be the Holy Other

Dan Windham

EVAN  
William Havergal



1. Blest be the ho - ly o - ther who has loved and lost and grieved.  
2. Blest be the ho - ly o - ther who's en - dured the worst of all—  
3. Blest be the ho - ly o - ther when the church has done them wrong.  
4. Blest be the ho - ly o - ther now whose sa - cred worth we know,



The strife im-posed could not un - do God's love and grace re - ceived.  
the ig - no - rant and pet - ty few that would de - ny their call.  
God made us all, not just the men, to love and to be - long.  
who teach us where and when and how God's tell - ing us to go.