

**WORSHIP BULLETIN**  
**Outdoor Service**  
**Sunday, September 27, 2020**  
**Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church**

**PRELUDE**

**“For The Beauty of the Earth”**  
**Text and Lyrics by John Rutter**  
**Heather Bronson, Soprano**

**THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Call: We gather together to worship God  
in this new place, in this new way.

**The (silent) Response: May the presence of God meet us here.**

The Call: We gather together to worship God  
with open minds and open hearts.

**The (silent) Response: May the Spirit of God unite us as one.**

The Call: We gather together to worship God  
in hope and expectation.

**The (silent) Response: May the love of God surround us and fill us.**

**All: Let us worship the living God!**

**THE OPENING HYMN (Sing in silence, sing with all your heart!)**  
**“For the Fruit of All Creation”**

***AR HYD Y NOS***

**Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1970**

**Music: Welsh Melody, 1784**

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.  
For the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.  
For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,  
Future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor, God's will be done.  
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will be done.  
In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,  
In the harvests we are sharing, God's will be done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.  
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.  
For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,  
Most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

**THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (in unison, silently)

**Here, O God, in this new place, our time, our attention, our hearts are yours. In silence and reflection, we are filled with an awareness of your presence and of new possibilities. We confess that outside of these lines that hold our cars, in the unexpected transitions and the sometimes-unwelcome surprises of our daily lives, our faith sometimes falters. In our praying and our listening, we ask that you would renew us, and strengthen our faith for the journey ahead. Through Christ we pray . . .**

**A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL**

**A READING FROM THE GOSPELS** Matthew 21:28-32

**THE SERMON** *More Than Words*

**THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (in unison, in silently)

We believe in God, the creator of life, the source of wholeness and love.  
We believe that in his life, Jesus revealed God's love, grace, mercy, forgiveness, and justice.  
We believe that in his death, Jesus revealed God's determined presence in the world  
even in the face of hatred, violence, and pain.  
We believe that in his resurrection, Jesus revealed God calling us to abundant life both now and  
forever—life beyond our sometimes fearful and fragile imaginations.  
We believe that God lives among us, within us, and through us by the power of the Holy Spirit.  
We believe that God calls us to be the church, a community rooted in faith, hope, and love.  
We believe these things not out of certainty but out of faith;  
as people who trust in the reality of God revealed in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit.

Dan Sire (adapated)

**THE OFFERING AND PASTORAL PRAYER**

## **THE CLOSING HYMN**

**“Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun”**

***DUKE STREET***

**Text: Isaac Watts, 1719**

**Music: John Hatton, 1793**

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run;  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head;  
His name, like sweet perfume, shall rise with every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song,  
And infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Let every creature rise and bring honors peculiar to our King;  
Angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud Amen!

## **THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

### **POSTLUDE**

**“Allegro”**

**By Johan Jakob Walther**