

**Worship Outline – July 19, 2020**  
**(16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

**Prelude**

*Psalm 19*

Benedetto Marcello

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Introit**

*This Is the Day That the Lord Has Made*

(Key)

Metropolitan Music Ministry

Metropolitan Baptist Church – Largo, MD

**Call to Worship**

**Opening Hymn**

*Here in This Place*

GATHER US IN

Here in this place, new light is streaming,  
now is the darkness vanished away.  
See, in this space, our fears and our dreamings,  
brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;  
gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken;  
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery.  
We are the old, who yearn for your face.  
We have been sung throughout all of history,  
called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty;  
gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart so meek and so lowly;  
give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water;  
here we will take the bread of new birth.  
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion;  
give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,  
not in some heaven, light years away:  
here in this place the new light is shining;  
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever;  
gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in - all peoples together,  
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

### **Prayer of Confession**

**God of the everlasting covenant, we confess that we are like Jacob – we are greedy; we lie to others, even ones we love; we only think about what’s in it for us; we are willing to live with our brothers and sisters being disadvantaged while we enjoy unearned blessings. Yet you opened the heavens to a scoundrel like Jacob, which means you are willing to lean in to hear our whispered prayer of confession. [*Silence.*] Thank you, God, for loving us in spite of who we have been and who we are. Thank you for seeing in us the people that we could become, rather than the people we have been. Send us your Spirit that we might be transformed to be your people in the world. In Jesus’ name. Amen.**

### **Assurance of God’s Love**

## **Passing of the Peace**

During this time, we invite you to pass the peace by texting a fellow church member, family member, friend, relative, or loved one.

**First Reading**                      Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

## **Anthem**

*Psalm 23*

University of Tennessee Chamber Choir

Dr. Angela Batey, conductor

Seth O'Kegley, piano

**Second Reading**                  Genesis 28:10-19a

## **Homily**

Sarah Morgan

**Affirmation of Faith** – *from* The Confession of 1967

**Wherever the church exists, its members are both gathered in corporate life and dispersed in society for the sake of mission in the world. The church gathers to praise God, to hear God's word for humankind, to baptize and to join in the Lord's Supper, to pray for and present the world to God in worship, to enjoy fellowship, to receive instruction, strength, and comfort, to order and organize its own corporate life, to be tested, renewed, and reformed, and to speak and act in the world's affairs as may be appropriate to the needs of the time. The church disperses to serve God wherever its members are, at work or play, in private or in the life of society. Their witness is the church's evangelism. Their daily action in the world is the church in mission to the world.**

## **Offertory Anthem**

*Arise, My Soul, Arise*

Chodan/Forrest

sung by Kathryn Paden, soprano

## **Pastoral Prayer**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

## **Charge & Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Fanfara Imperiale*

Antonio Soler