

November 14, 2021

Are these earth-shattering times?

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing praises to the Lord, for God has done gloriously;

let us sing God's praises throughout all the earth.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, from the highest peaks, to the deepest caverns.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, from the tiniest creatures, to the greatest herds.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, in the midst of our joys and our sorrows.

Shout aloud and sing for joy, as we come to worship the God of all creation!

SONG

The Lord's my shepherd

https://vimeo.com/worshipwell/download/577904187/cdcf80748e

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us pray.

God of peace we confess we are a people of fear.

We have let anxiety rule our days and worry our nights.

We have been distracted by nerves and focused on tension.

We confess we have ignored your command to not be afraid.

Forgive us, O God.

Calm our hearts, settle our stomachs, and renew in us the ability to find our comfort in you. Amen.

ASSURANCE

The prophet Isaiah assures us:

God is building a new heaven and a new earth; the former things will not be remembered or come to mind.

Forgiven and freed, rejoice in what the Lord is creating in you, in me, in all creation.

Thanks be to God

PASSING THE PEACE

The Spirit within me honours the Spirit within you.

(Turn to those around you and greet them with the words above)

SONG

When I look into Your Holiness https://vimeo.com/worshipwell/download/571493132/beb4a8ce7c

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of the earthquake and the silence, quiet in us any voice but your own, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we might hear, and in hearing we might believe, and in believing we might act, making way for your new creation. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS

(Take this time to pray for the World, your community and friends and family)

OFFERING

God of the wolf and the lamb, the lion and the ox, we give thanks for these gifts and pray they might be agents of your peace. May they serve your creation as we seek your new heaven and new earth. Help us take these gifts out into a world filled with distress and calm it. Help us take these gifts out into a world filled with pain and heal it. Help us take these gifts out into a world filled with silence and speak up; In Jesus' name. Amen.

READINGS

1 Sm 1:4-20 1 Sm 2:1-10 Heb 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25 Mk 13:1-8

REFLECTION

Are these Earth Shattering times? https://vimeo.com/worshipwell/download/642205341/422e55a46f

SILENCE

Now let silence gently enfold us...

May the silence we now share quieten us, touch our need, refresh our courage, and enlarge our wonder.

SONG

Peace like a River

https://vimeo.com/worshipwell/download/561639225/ba1377d70b

BLESSING

And now may the God of our salvation, our strength and our comfort, guard your hearts and minds this day and evermore.

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