

Undivided: In Christ

Cultural Awareness Sunday

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Call to Worship

Video

“We All Bleed the Same”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UEzCQBwQkdA>

Welcome

Prayer for Unity

Gracious Lord, we thank You for Your love and forgiveness to each one of us, and praise and thank You that we are Your children and have been born into Your heavenly family. Lord, we pray for unity in the body of Christ – that we may show forth true godliness of heart and gracious contentment in our actions and attitudes towards each other and to You.

Lord, we have nothing to commend ourselves; but You have clothed us in Your own righteousness. May each one of us be swift to run from those things that are displeasing to You, but rather to pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, and gentleness.

Help us, Lord, to make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace in our homes and church communities. And, give us grace, we pray, to diligently seek after all those things that are well pleasing in Your sight so that we may live in unity—one with the other--to Your praise and glory. In Jesus name, we pray.

Amen.

Praise and Worship

“Make Us One”

<http://www.worshiptogether.com/songs/make-us-one-wickham>

“Let All the People Say Amen”

<http://www.worshiptogether.com/songs/all-the-people-said-amen>

“Dry Bones”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7XAeyFagceQ>

Announcements and Offering

Song 11/887

“They Shall Come From the East”

Choral Scripture Reading

Unite Us O Lord

Video

“Undivided”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u1AKUQkjb0>

Message

“Unite Us O Lord”

Response

Postlude

Video

“I Need You to Survive”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-0IJ0HqYY3A>

Choral Scripture Reading

“Unite Us O Lord”

Leader:

I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. (John 17:23)

Congregation:

Unite us, O Lord, that we may be in complete unity.

Leader:

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought. (1Cor.1:10)

Congregation:

Unite Us, O Lord, that there is no division of the believers.

Leader:

So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. (Eph.4:11-13)

Congregation:

Unite Us, O Lord, that we may become mature in our faith.

Leader:

How good and pleasant it is when God’s people live together in unity! (Psalms 133:1)

Congregation:

Unite Us, O Lord, that we may please you.

Leader:

If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand (Mark 3:25)

Congregation:

Unite Us, O Lord, so we can stand in all circumstances.