



Our Prayer of Confession (from *Ministry Matters*):

We pause this morning, O God, with heavy hearts. We live in the midst of great and abiding love, but also in the midst of deceit and lies. May we be found faithful in all we do. May we speak the truth in love and live lives of love each day. Too often we seek you in the spectacular and otherworldly. May we see the many in-breakings of your kingdom in the everyday, ordinary things of life: in seeds sown with hope. May we be able to answer with a full-throated yes when asked if we have understood your teachings and your call. Amen.

Our Word of Assurance:

When we are not sure how to pray, or if we are even able to address God in prayer, the Spirit intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words. Know that no matter what, nothing, absolutely nothing can ever separate us from God's presence and God's love.

Our Scripture Readings (please consult your own Bible):

- 1 Kings 3:5-12
- Romans 8:26-39

Our sermon: WISDOM

*In thanks for God's Word and God's great work among us,  
we will send our offering to Rita.*

We sing:

I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul.  
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul.

I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean,  
I've got love like an ocean in my soul;  
I've got love like an ocean, I've got love like an ocean,  
I've got love like an ocean in my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,  
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.  
I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain,  
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.

We pray:

Dear Lord, thank you for the honor and joy of joining with you and each other, despite our physical distances. Hear our prayers for all we name who are in need of your healing hand and the inspiration of your Spirit; hear our prayers for our families, friends and neighbors; hear our prayers for our city, our state, our country and the world as we all fight against a common enemy; hear our prayers of gratitude for all who serve, putting themselves at risk for the rest of us. Receive our joyful faith, and thank you for being our Lord, Savior and Comforter; bless us all this day and this week, we pray, until we gather again in the Spirit of worship. In your holy name, Amen.

We pray this Benediction together:

May we be held in the hand of God the Father Almighty  
May we be filled to overflowing with the Light of the world, His Son, our Savior Jesus  
And may we always be safely protected at home, and if we need to go out,  
by the shalom-making Holy Spirit.  
Amen.