

***Sing praise to the Father, sing praise to the Son;
Sing praise to the Spirit, the great Three in One.
May we sense your presence in infinite space
Until, in Your presence, we meet face to face.***

 Prayer of Common Confession

God in Three Persons, in your very being you are held together by love. You call us, your diverse children, into a shared life of faith; to love one another as you have loved us. We confess that it is very hard some days. Forgive us when we grab hold of fear and anger to fill in the cracks of our confusion. Give us endurance and strength to sink our cups deep into the well of your eternal love, and do the hard work of extending care and compassion that is beyond us and reveals your truth and beauty. *(time of silent prayer)*

 Words of Assurance

Imperfect and broken friends, as we have been loved and forgiven,
Let us love and forgive each other. Amen.

 Gloria Patri, No. 579

Children's Blessing

Allison Wheeler

Children may come forward for a pastoral blessing and then go to their worship space.

 Passing of the Peace

Congregants who produced art for Different Together are invited to bring their pieces to the Chancel at this time.

Music

Brother James' Air

arr. Barbara Kinyon

Members of the Bronze Ringers and Celebration Ringers

Sermon Series: Different Together

*Pursuing unity in Christ in the midst of diversity - and all its benefits and challenges!
This series will take us through Pentecost and help us untangle what it means to speak different languages, but through the Spirit, learn to truly appreciate each other and love God more fully.*

Scripture Reading

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Jacob Yau

(Reading in Cantonese, page 538 in the pew Bibles)

Sermon

God is a Small Group

Paul Rock

We Respond and Are Sent into the World

Prayers of the People

Reggie Williams

We bring our struggles, celebrations, and selves to God.

The Lord's Prayer (*in your mother tongue*)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Call for Offering & Engagement in Mission

Peter DeWit

Offertory Music

Love Divine

arr. *Fred Gramann*

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 Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
In heav'n above and earth below!
One God, three persons, we adore;
To God be praise forevermore!***

 Prayer of Dedication

Reggie Williams

 Hymn

Faithful God, You Sent Your Spirit

tune: NETTLETON ("Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing")

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***Faithful God, you sent your Spirit
Long ago at Pentecost.
You gave life and said to share it,
All as one, beneath your cross.
May we see your wondrous blessing
When your people everywhere
Work together, all confessing
Faith that binds us, faith to share.***

***God of hope, you daily nurture
Those who seek to follow you.
You're not bound by any culture;
You love rich and poor ones, too.
In an ever-changing nation,
May your churches welcome in
Every child of your creation,
Giving hope to all again.***

*God of love, may we in worship welcome our diversity.
May we reach in trust and friendship
To the poor and refugee.
May we see Christ in the stranger,
Breaking bonds of hate and fear.
By your Spirit, may we offer
Glimpses of your kingdom here.*

 Benediction

Paul Rock

 Congregational Amen, No. 586

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