

Jubilee 2004

Rejoice in the Day

Seekers Church

A Christian Community

In the Tradition of the Church of the Saviour

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Reflection

Rejoice in that day and leap for joy... Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those that curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you, and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Luke 6:23, 27-31

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O God of this bountiful Creation,
we gather here to sing and celebrate.

Voice 1: We gather here to share our lives,
to praise the power of the Risen Christ.

Voice 2: We come to comfort one another
when fear rises unbidden from deep within.

Leader: We wait In faith for your presence
to become clearer in the world around us.

All: O Holy Mystery,
open our ears, our eyes and our hearts
so we can recognize
that every thought and thing belongs to
you.
Amen.

INVOCATION

HYMN

People: We do not feel like singing
when we think about how hard life is
for us and for others.

Leader: With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before our God.

All: When we let our problems be all that there
is,
we want to leave rejoicing for some other
day.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE

Leader: When we forget how to rejoice,
God makes the sea roar,
the floods clap their hands,
even the hills sing together for joy,
and we are comforted by God's love.

All: Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

JESUS PRAYER

All: Eternal Spirit, Father and Mother of us all,
Holy is your name.

Let justice and mercy fill all Creation
and let us recognize
that every thought and thing belongs to you.

Feed us with the bread we need for today.

Forgive our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Stand with us in trial and temptation.

Free us from the grip of all that is evil.

For you alone are creating our universe,
now and forever.

Amen.

HYMN

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

SILENCE

GOSPEL

SERMON

SILENT REFLECTION

OFFERING

SHARED REFLECTIONS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN

BENEDICTION

Leader: Let us rejoice in God always,
 letting gratitude flow from us,
 receiving the gratitude of others with
jubilation.

May our gentleness

be an invitation to others to be gentle
themselves.

May the God of Peace be with us as we leave
this place.

All:

Amen.