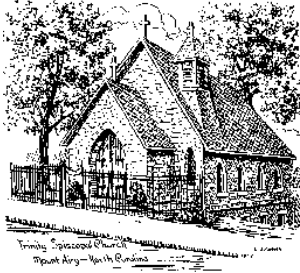


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The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 1, 2023

Kid's bags are in the narthex. Please return the bags and they will be refilled for next Sunday.

Please remember that many are preparing for worship with prayer before the service.

Hymn in Procession # 690 *(standing as you are able)*

- 1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand;
bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore.

2 Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through;
strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side;
songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy
Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for
ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

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Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires
known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the
thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy
Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily
magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Song of Praise Hymn # S236

- 1 Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
- 2 Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
- 3 Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
- 4 Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
- 5 Glory to you, beholding the depths;
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
- 6 Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

The Collect

(kneel or stand as you are able)

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated during the reading of the Lessons and the Psalm.

The First Lesson: Exodus 17:1-7

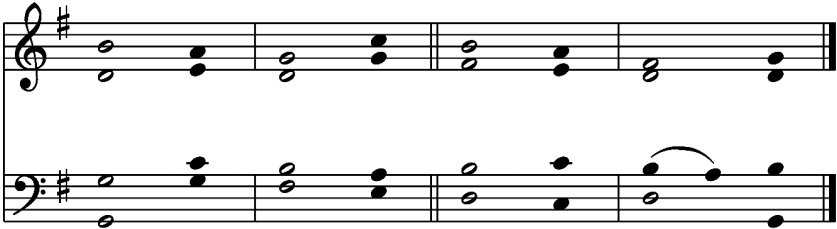
From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?"

But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” So Moses cried out to the Lord, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” The Lord said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, “Is the Lord among us or not?”

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 *Attendite, popule*

- 1 Hear my teaching, O my **people**; *
incline your ears to the words of my **mouth**.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a **parable**; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient **times**.
- 3 That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have **told us**, *
we will not hide from their **children**.

- 4 We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of
the **Lord**, *
and the wonderful works he has **done**.
- 12 He worked marvels in the sight of their
forefathers, *
in the land of Egypt, in the field of **Zoan**.
- 13 He split open the sea and let them pass **through**; *
he made the waters stand up like **walls**.
- 14 He led them with a cloud by **day**, *
and all the night through with a glow of **fire**.
- 15 He split the hard rocks in the **wilderness** *
and gave them drink as from the great **deep**.
- 16 He brought streams out of the **cliff**, *
and the waters gushed out like **rivers**.

The Second Lesson: Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death--
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name
that is above every name,

so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed
me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my
absence, work out your own salvation with fear and
trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling
you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn # 483 *(standing as you are able)*

- 1 The head that once was crowned with thorns
is crowned with glory now;
a royal diadem adorns
the mighty victor's brow.

- 2 The highest place that heaven affords
is his, is his by right,
the King of kings, and Lord of lords,
and heaven's eternal Light;

- 3 the joy of all who dwell above,
the joy of all below,
to whom he manifests his love
and grants his name to know.

- 4 To them the cross with all its shame,
with all its grace is given;
their name, an everlasting name;
their joy, the joy of heaven.

- 5 They suffer with their Lord below,
they reign with him above,
their profit and their joy to know
the mystery of his love.

- 6 The cross he bore is life and health,
though shame and death to him:
his people's hope, his people's wealth,
their everlasting theme.

Celebrant The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: Matthew 21:23-32 *(stand as you are able)*

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?” And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.” And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

“What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Sarah Carper Morris

The Nicene Creed *(standing as you are able)*

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and
glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People Form III BCP p. 387

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and
Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the
nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or
trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

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All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
 And also with you.

Announcements

(8:30 service only)

Offertory

Celebrant

All things come of Thee, O Lord.

People

**And of thine own have we given
Thee.**

(10:30 service only)

Offertory and Doxology Hymn 480, v.3 *(standing)*

When Jesus into Zion rode,
 the children sang around;
for joy they plucked the palms and strowed
 their garments on the ground.

Hosanna our glad voices raise,
 hosanna to our King!

Should we forget our Savior's praise,
 the stones themselves would sing.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus*

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music, #129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

The musical score is written in G major and 3/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are placed below the notes. There are three triplet markings (indicated by a '3' above a bracket) over the notes for 'heaven', 'san - na', and 'high - est' in the second, third, and fourth staves respectively. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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*The people stand or kneel.
Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

A period of silence is kept.

The Holy Eucharist II, Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God: *Agnus Dei*

The Hymnal 1982, Service Music, #163

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The celebrant will bring communion to you in one kind saying:

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. Amen.

Music at Communion # 601

- 1 O day of God, draw nigh
in beauty and in power,
come with thy timeless judgment now
to match our present hour.
- 2 Bring to our troubled minds,
uncertain and afraid,
the quiet of a steadfast faith,
calm of a call obeyed.
- 3 Bring justice to our land,
that all may dwell secure,
and finely build for days to come
foundations that endure.
- 4 Bring to our world of strife
thy sovereign word of peace,
that war may haunt the earth no more
and desolation cease.
- 5 O day of God, draw nigh
as at creation's birth,
let there be light again, and set
thy judgments in the earth.

Meditation after Communion by John Bell

Take, O take me as I am; sum - mon out what I shall

be; set your seal up - on my heart and live in me.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Hymn in Procession # 492 (*standing as you are able*)

- 1 Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness,
wake your noblest, sweetest strain,
with the praises of your Savior
let his house resound again;
him let all your music honor,
and your songs exalt his reign.

- 2 Sing how he came forth from heaven,
bowed himself to Bethlehem's cave,
stooped to wear the servant's vesture,
bore the pain, the cross, the grave,
passed within the gates of darkness,
thence his banished ones to save.

- 3 So, he tasted death for mortals,
he, of humankind the head,
sinless one, among the sinful,
Prince of life, among the dead;
thus he wrought the full redemption,
and the captor captive led.

- 4 Now on high, yet ever with us,
from his Father's throne the Son
rules and guides the world he ransomed,
till the appointed work be done,
till he see, renewed and perfect,
all things gathered into one.

Dismissal

Go in peace,
to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS AND REMEMBRANCES OF THE WEEK

Immediate Needs:	Kay MacAllen	Tina Brown
Emily	Kitty Martin	Kat Cook
Charlie Allen	Linda McMillian	Mary Couture
Martha Allen	Arba Montgomery	Melissa Roth Culver
Erin Apperson	Tammy Moore	Roger Danley
Cindy Blackwell	Craig New	Paul Derrick
Bobbie Bledsoe	Wade Nichols	Ron Doerschug
Kayce Boyd	William Nichols	Linda Doerschug
Tina Brown	Bill R. Pendleton	Barbara Embry
Marie Carl	Doug Pobjee	Donna Fargo
Jane Carper	Patty Pugsley	Johnnie Gunter
Mazie Chilton	Kerry Reagan	Betty Hooven
Ann Cochrane	Donna Schuessler	Kelly Jarvis
Ripley Cottrell	Stephanie Serika	Carrie Krahn
Anne Cox	Emily Jarvis Simmons	David Kroupa
Bishop Michael Curry	Susan Slate	Angelia Lawrence
Sarah Springthorpe-Denmark	Eva Smith	Rebecca McNabb
Debbie Dockery	Wade Smith	John Moore
Mark Donnell	Rose Mary Smoot	Michael Morgan
Sonia Donnell	Johnny Springthorpe	Angie Nolfo
Carmen Eldridge	Tammy Springthorpe	Bill Pendleton
Marcus Ford	Sharon Sutphin	Beverly Putynkowski
Ashley Fulk	Celeste Tsaklis	Victoria Rogelin
Gus Galloway	Carroll Vick	Candace Sammons
Polly Hall	Kevin Wilson	Evedene Schafer
Linda Hicks	Henrietta Williams	Sid Spencer, Jr.
Steve Hines	Betty Wright	Betty Town
Melissa Hopkins	Pat Zebrowski	Vicky Town
Max Hunter	Long Term Needs:	John Townsend
Fred Johnson	Stacie Adams	Jack Woltz
Joy King	Jean Amburn	
Gus Lewis	*Anonymous	
	Beatrice Attuah & Lailaitv	

Pray for the repose of the soul of John Blackwell. Please keep Cindy and their family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

Pray for the repose of the soul of Patty Pugsley. Please keep Bill and their family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

TRINITY FAMILY IN THE ARMED SERVICES OF OUR COUNTRY

Amanda Eads, Wesley Frye, Corbin Humphrey, Matt Kroupa, Glenn Lynch, Gordon Lynch, Haley Muething, John Nichols, Christopher Noble, Robert Poole

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

Trinity Church, Statesville
Calvary Church, Tarboro

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The loose offering on the first Sunday of each month is designated for the **Rector's Discretionary Fund**. This offering helps the Rector provide pastoral care, medicines, utilities, rent and other assistance.

First Sunday Pot Luck Lunch is today! Join us for good food and fellowship in the Parish Hall for a potluck lunch after the 10:30 service, approximately 12:00 p.m.

Our **Blessing of the Animals** service will be held on Sunday, October 8th at 2:00 p.m. in Trinity Park. Bring your pet for a special blessing.

The **Autumn Leaves Festival** will be held October 13th-15th. Volunteers are needed to help with parking, serving as greeters and provide/sell items at our bake sale. Please take a moment to sign up before you leave today. Clipboards with sign-up sheets can be found in the narthex. We will also be collecting bottled water to sell at the festival. You may drop off donations any time.

Belize Lunch Program-St. Paul's Anglican School in Corozal, Belize, is once again trying to raise \$5000 to benefit their lunch program for the next school year. If you would like to make a contribution to their lunch program, you can write a check to Trinity and earmark it for Belize and we will get it to them. \$1405.00. *Staples will match donations dollar for dollar for the Belize lunch program.*

Join us for the **Light the Way Homelessness and Hunger Awareness Walk 2023** on Saturday, November 18, 2023, at 6:15 PM (Eastern Standard Time). This in-person event aims to raise awareness about homelessness and hunger in our community. Location: **605 E Bluemont Rd, Mount Airy, NC 27030**. You can register for this event through [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com).

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FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my husband Richard Nealis in honor of our upcoming anniversary on October 10th, which would have been 42 years, Love your wife-Karen Nealis.

Congregational Reflection

The Vestry has compiled a list of questions that make up our Congregational Reflection. Please use the QR code below or click on the link to complete the survey. Please fill out one per person. If you need assistance, we are happy to help.

<https://forms.gle/iGLvPQ2A8t9boZEF7>



MINISTERS FOR THE 8:30 SERVICE

Today	Ministry	Next Sunday
Jessica Simandle	LECTOR	Vicky Town
Mike Wilson	CHALICE BEARER	Jim Couture
Benny Combs	GREETER	Pat Sanderson
Mike Wilson	ACOLYTE	Jim Couture

MINISTERS FOR THE 10:30 SERVICE

This Sunday	Ministry	Next Sunday
Denny Jennings	LECTOR	Jesse Slate
Karen Nealis	CHALICE BEARER	Wendy Tatman
Wendy & Jim	GREETERS	Margie & Martha
Kate Appler	ALTAR GUILD	Pam & Jane
Margie Martin	VESTRY	Roxann Moore
Aleigha Wilsonwithers	ACOLYTE	Nehemiah King

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Today	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	12:00 p.m.	First Sunday Potluck
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Medical Loan Closet
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Staples
	3:00 p.m.	Medical Loan Closet
	6:00 p.m.	Backyard Bible Study
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	AA Meeting
Next	8:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
	2:00 p.m.	Blessing of the Animals

TRINITY VESTRY

Ross Borders, Margie Martin, Roxann Moore,
James Tatman, Ann Vaughn, Mike Wilson, Lee Wilsonwithers

*No matter where you come from or where you're going
No matter what you believe or what you doubt
No matter what you feel or just don't feel today
No matter whom you love
You are welcome into this space to be met by a God
Who knows you by name, who knows your heart, who knows
your mind, and...
Who wants to have a relationship with you*