**Call to worship**

**God of boundless mercy and unfailing love,**

**our Creator, saviour and redeemer,**

**as part of the body of Christ around the world,**

**as people called to live for You in the families and communities and networks in which You have placed us,**

**we gather together to worship You:**

**to proclaim Your goodness and to offer our thanks and praise.**

**Hymn God is Love**

God is love: his the care,

tending each, ev'rywhere,

God is love, all is there!

Jesus came to show him,

that we all might know him!

*Sing aloud, loud, loud!*

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*God is good! God is truth!*

*God is beauty! Praise him!*

Jesus came, lived, and died

For our sake, crucified,

Rose again, glorified:

He was born to save us

By the truth he gave us.

*Chorus*

None can see God above;

Jesus shows how to love;

thus may we Godward move,

Joined as sisters, brothers,

Finding him in others.

*Chorus*

To our Lord praise we sing,

light and life, friend and King,

coming down, love to bring,

pattern for our duty,

showing God in beauty.

*Chorus*

Percy Dreamer

**Prayers**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Pandemic Experience**

**Sense of Smell**

**Bible Readings. Gaynor Rees, Beulah (Zoom)**

**Ali Lintern-Gittens, City (MixCloud)**

**Reflection**

**Music for Reflection**

**Prayers of Intercession Mary John, Parkminster**

**Hymn. Longing for Light**

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.

Longing for truth, we turn to you.

Make us your own, your holy people,

light for the world to see.

*Christ, be our light!*

*Shine in our hearts.*

*Shine through the darkness.*

*Christ, be our light!*

*Shine in your church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.

Longing for hope, many despair.

Your word alone has power to save us.

Make us your living voice.

*Chorus*

Longing for food, many are hungry.

Longing for water, many still thirst.

Make us your bread, broken for others,

shared until all are fed.

*Chorus*

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.

Longing for warmth, many are cold.

Make us your building, sheltering others,

walls made of living stone.

*Chorus*

Many the gifts, many the people,

many the hearts that yearn to belong.

Let us be servants to one another,

making your kingdom come.

*Christ, be our light!*

*Shine in our hearts.*

*Shine through the darkness.*

*Christ, be our light!*

*Shine in your church gathered today.*

Bernadette Farrell

**Blessing**

May the dust of the wilderness hold our footprints lovingly.

May the journey in the wilderness unfold honestly.

May our time in the wilderness be shaped by opportunity.

May the stones in the wilderness offer rest in our weariness.

And may we find the wilderness holds promise and growth.

**The Grace**