

Lights for Liberty

A Vigil to End Human Concentration Camps July 12, 2019 7:00p.m. St. Alban's Episcopal Church

Welcome The Rev. Erin Hensley, St. Alban's, Austin

I Need You To Survive words and music: David Frazier I need you, you need me.
We're all a part of God's body.
Stand with me, agree with me.
We're all a part of God's body.
It is his will, that every need be supplied.
You are important to me, I need you to survive.
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I pray for you, You pray for me.
I love you, I need you to survive.
I won't harm you with words from my mouth.
I love you, I need you to survive.

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Speaker The Rev. Jonathan McManus-Dail, St. Julian of Norwich, Austin

Speaker Ms. Lizzie McManus-Dail, St. Michael's, Austin

Come All Who Hunger words and music: Sam Hensley Come all who hunger Come all who thirst Come to the table and be filled Hunger for righteousness
Thirst for redemption
Come to the table and be filled

Speaker Ms. Kathy Luckett, St. Alban's, Austin

Speaker Ms. Bee Moorehead, Texas Impact

Unidos words: Benjamin Villanueva (translated by George Lockwood) and music: Benjamin Villanueva Together, together in your name, we gather Together, together in your name, we gather Then we'll have in this world, peace and love around us Then we'll have in this world, peace and love around us Together we're united, we hold hands as we struggle We walk into the world singing God's song of love The Glory of Jesus, will ever shine in splendor The whole world will be joyful with love and peace

Unidos, Unidos, en tu nombre unidos Unidos, Unidos, en tu nombre unidos Pues en este mundo, paz y amor tendremos Pues en este mundo, paz y amor tendremos Unidos, siempre unidos, tomándonos las manos Iremos por el mundo cantando al amor La Gloria de Jesus, al fin resplandecerá Y el mundo llenará de amor e de paz

Thanksgiving for the Nation, adapted from The Book of Common Prayer (1979)

Almighty God, giver of all good things: we thank you for the natural majesty and beauty of this land. They restore us, though we often destroy them.

Heal us.

We thank you for the great resources of this nation. They make only a few rich at the cost of those who are poor and our shared future.

Forgive us.

We thank you for the courage of asylum seekers as they flee from life-threatening circumstances in their home countries. Their strength is honorable, though they are being treated with no such dignity in our name.

Forgive us.

We thank you for the people who have made this country strong, especially slaves, immigrants, and refugees upon whose backs this country was built.

Forgive us.

We thank you for the torch of liberty that has been lit in this land. It has drawn people from every nation, though we have often hidden from its light.

Enlighten us.

We thank you for the faith we have inherited in all its rich variety. It sustains our life, though we have been faithless in how we treat the most vulnerable ones.

Renew us.

We thank you for the human family and we pray especially for those who died in US custody or on their way to seek safety here. We pray especially for ...

We especially lift up those known to God alone who have perished fleeing dangerous situations in their home countries.

We thank you for the gift of democracy and the ability to elect leaders, though this has become a privilege for the sake of political expediency sake. Give us the vision to believe in our collective power as the people.

Empower us. Help us see.

Call for a Communal Response

Holy Ground call and response song, words and music: Sam Hensley Holy Ground (Holy Ground)
This is Holy Ground (This is Holy Ground)
Hearts together (Hearts together)
with love that surrounds (with love that surrounds)

Holy Ground (Holy Ground)
We're on Holy Ground (We're on Holy Ground)
To stand against violence (To stand against violence)
We make our vow (We make our vow)

And sing Alleluia, sing Alleluia, sing Alleluia, Amen And sing Alleluia, sing Alleluia, Amen

Holy Ground (Holy Ground)
This is Holy Ground (This is Holy Ground)
Hearts together (Hearts together)
with hope that surrounds (with hope that surrounds)

Holy Ground (Holy Ground)
We're on Holy Ground (We're on Holy Ground)
To stand up for families (To stand up for families)
We make our vow (We make our vow)

And sing Alleluia, sing Alleluia, sing Alleluia, Amen

And sing Alleluia, sing Alleluia, sing Alleluia, Amen

Holy Ground (Holy Ground)
This is Holy Ground (This is Holy Ground)
Hearts together (Hearts together)
with love that surrounds (with love that surrounds)

Holy Ground (Holy Ground)
We're on Holy Ground (We're on Holy Ground)
To stand with our neighbors (To stand with our neighbors)
We make our vow (We make our vow)

And sing Alleluia, sing Alleluia, sing Alleluia, Amen And sing Alleluia, sing Alleluia, Sing Alleluia, Amen

Lifting Lights at Sunset

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To each and every one of you for your presence. Don't give up. You are not alone.

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