Gathering

Welcome Kerri Gibbs (MDiv ‘18)

Centering

* Song: “God Welcomes All”

Proclaiming

Scripture: Romans 14:1-12 Marc DeCoste (MDiv ‘18)

For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God among us, for the word of God within us, **Thanks be to God.**

Song: “Take, O Take Me As I Am” MUO #44 Emily Davis (MDiv ‘19)

Prayer of Confession

Trusting in God’s forgiveness, let us in silence confess our failings and acknowledge our part in the pain of the world.

(Moment of Silence)

Before God, with the people of God, I confess to turning away from God in the ways I wounded my life, the lives of others and the life of the world.

* Please stand in body and/or spirit.
May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love. Amen.

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Responding

Communion

Chris Copeland
Michelle Voss Roberts

*Lana McCallum (MDiv ‘19)

We believe in God
who made the sea and the earth, the sun and the sky,
who calls us to live responsibly.

We believe in Jesus Christ
who became human,
who healed the sick,
who talked to children,
who made friends with sinners.
He burned brightly and offended many.
His journey was one of life and death and resurrection.
His light continues to shine in the darkness.

We believe in the Holy Spirit
who inspired the scriptures,
and whose breath we breathe.

We believe that God calls us to be a community,
committed to one another,
offering a welcome to everyone,
old and young, rich and poor,
strong and weak.

We believe that God calls us to be peacemakers,
workers for justice, brothers and sisters,
a light for our world. Amen.

Sending

* Song: “O Who Will Build the Church?” see insert

* Benediction

Michael Hood (MDiv ‘20)
O Who Will Build the Church?

Swahili: Ka-ni-sa li-ta-jengwa na ni-ni na na-ni? Ka-
English: Who will build the church now? With what will we build it? Oh,
Spanish: ¿Quién construirá la iglesia? ¿Y cómo lo haremos? ¿Quién
French: Qui bâtira l’Église? Et comment le fai-re? Qui

Refrain

I-yo yo yo yo yo i-yo yo yo yo yo i-

yo yo yo yo i-yo yo yo yo yo i-yo!

Drum patterns

Words: Kenyan worship chorus; Eng. paraphrase S T Kimbrough, Jr., 1936– ;
Music: Kenyan worship chorus; transcribed Jorge Lockward, 1965–

Kenya

7.6.7.6. and refrain

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Notes for Today’s Worship

About the Worship Leader
Today’s worship service was planned and is led by students and faculty who were a part of the Iona Pilgrimage course in summer 2017. The group of 15 spent a week at the Iona Community on the Isle of Iona off the western coast of Scotland learning about the themes of Celtic spirituality and engaging in spiritual practices. The Iona Community is a dispersed ecumenical Christian community, headquartered in Glasgow and on the Isle of Iona, that is committed to tenets of peace, social justice, community building, and the renewal of worship in our world.

Worship
Today’s worship service was planned by Michael Hood (MDiv ‘20) and Pamela Mitchell (MDiv ‘19).

The altar design was created by Sophia Russell (MDiv ‘18) and Blake Tickle (MDiv ‘20).

The bulletin cover art is “Quiet Evening on the Sound of Iona” by John Lowrie Morrison.

Communion
Communion today is celebrated by intinction. Please take a piece of bread and dip it into the cup of grape juice. The bread is gluten-free and baked by New Communion Mobile Market and Pantry, newcommunion.org.

Worship Team Members
For feedback, suggestions, or offers to participate in worship, please contact a member of the worship team:

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