



## West Richmond Church of the Brethren

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*"Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together."*

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15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude** *I Surrender All* Bozard

### GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

**Opening Words** Psalm 143:8 (NLT)

From the Psalmist to the Lord, "Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love, for I have put my trust in you. Show me the way I should go, for you I entrust my life."

### Opening Prayer

**Hymn** *Morning has broken* #648 (1-2)

"Morning has broken" by Eleanor Farjeon; Martin Shaw  
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### CELEBRATE GOD'S FAMILY

#### Time with Our Children

**Special Music** *Cold and Raw* Old Scottish Tune

### Prayer of Repentance and Lament

<https://carolpenner.typepad.com/leadinginworship>

You are the God who hears: hear our prayer today for all who lament or repent.

For those among us who face discrimination every day because of our skin color,  
**We grieve.**

For those among us with the white skin who benefit from racist systems sometimes without even realizing it,  
**We repent.**

For those among us who have struggled and waited so long for the Promised Land of freedom and equality,  
**We grieve.**

For those among us who have acted in racist ways and have hurt people of color,  
**We repent.**

For those protesting injustice who face police brutality and a justice system rigged against them,  
**We grieve.**

For those who think racism is someone else's problem, and not a problem for humanity,  
**We repent.**

God of hope, show us how to work for justice together,  
Standing up for what is right,  
Stepping in when something's wrong,  
Shouldering each other's burdens,  
Holding each other accountable,  
Righting the wrong's we've done,  
Speaking truth to power. Now and always. Amen.

*(Closing with the Lord's Prayer)*

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us

