

Plymouth Congregational United Church of Christ

December 19, 2021 – Blue Service
7:00 pm

Quote for Contemplation: It's okay to miss them. It's okay to say their name. It's okay to cry. It's okay to laugh. It's okay to breathe deeply. It's okay to smile when you think of them. It's okay to function. It's okay when you have days when you can't function. –Lexi Behrndt

Prelude

Silence

Words of Welcome

Scripture, part I

Isaiah 40: 1-20

Hymn

Day is Done

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Silence

Shared Litany

adapted from the Sermon on the Mount

Leader: Blessed are the ones who weep and mourn,

All: they shall find comfort and be filled with laughter.

Leader: Blessed are the humble and meek,

All: the whole world will be theirs.

Leader: Blessed are the ones who show mercy,

All: mercy will be shown to them.

Leader: Blessed are the ones who hunger for righteousness,

All: we shall be filled indeed.

Interlude

Prayer with candle lighting

Scripture, part I

Isaiah 40: 21 – 31

Silence

Reflections

Rev. Sara M. Holland

Silence

Sung & Shared Canticle

Night Has Fallen

Words attributed to Clement Scott; trans. by Tom Colvin

Music: Dzuwa Lapita, Malawian trad; adapted Tom Colvin arr. John L. Bell

Cantor: Night has fallen.

ALL: Night has fallen. God our maker, guard us sleeping.

***each time the cantor sings out, we respond with repetition and “God our maker, guard us sleeping”*

Cantor: Darkness now has come . . .
See your children, Lord . . .
We are with you, Lord . . .
Keep us in your love . . .
Soon we go to rest . . .
Night has fallen . . .

Benediction

Postlude

Special thanks to:

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Eileen Torrey for providing worship leadership