

1 John 3:1-10
New International Version

3 See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears,^[a] we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. ³All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.⁴ Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness. ⁵But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin. ⁶No one who lives in him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him. ⁷Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray. The one who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. ⁸The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work. ⁹No one who is born of God will continue to sin, because God's seed remains in them; they cannot go on sinning, because they have been born of God. ¹⁰This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not God's child, nor is anyone who does not love their brother and sister.

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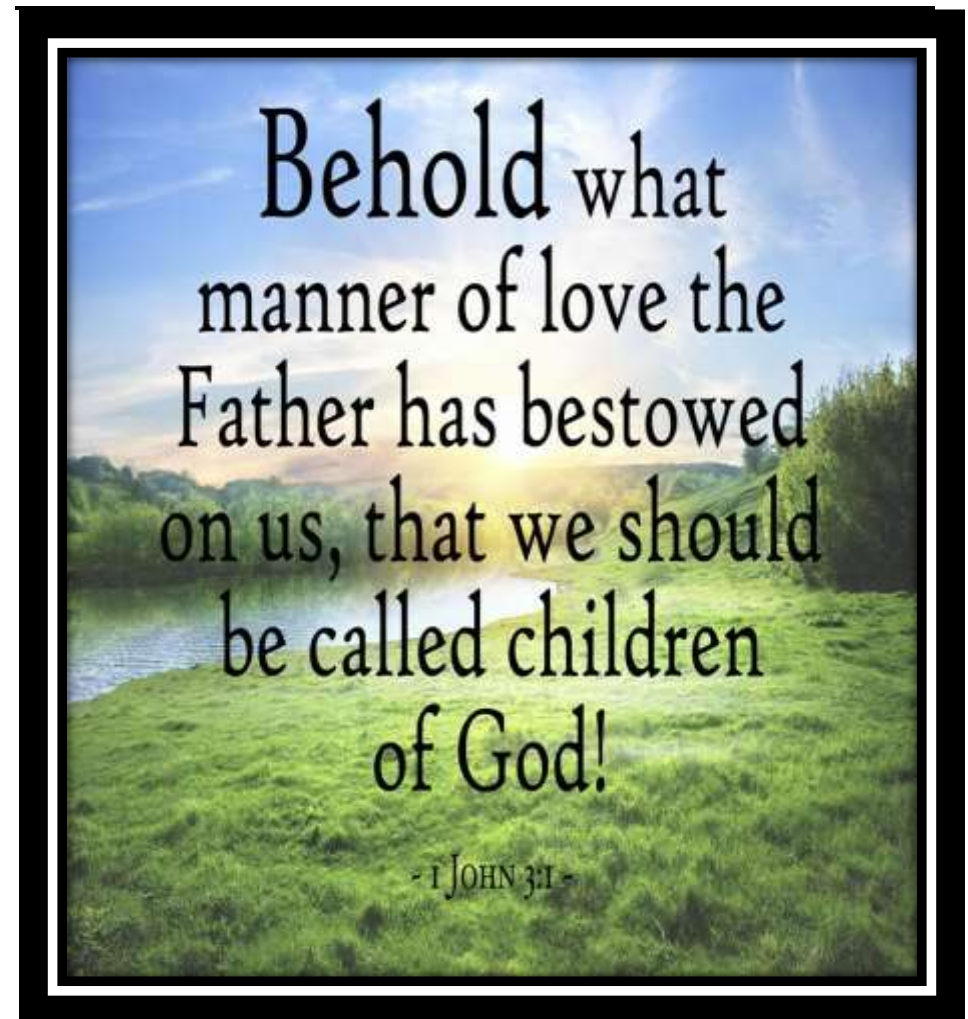
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GATHERING MUSIC

Elwood Hipkins

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INSTRUMENTAL MEDITATION Spirit of Life Linda Spohn

***INVOCATION** O Holy Spirit, You are the Comforter. Help us to let go of the losses in our lives. Heal our hearts. And help us to face our sinfulness and to feel genuine sorrow for the damage ~ both intentional and unintentional ~ that we may have inflicted on others and in so doing have inflicted on Jesus. Comfort us as we mourn our need for forgiveness, and give us Your spirit of rejoicing over this new growth in us. In Jesus Holy Name, Amen.

***CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Holy Spirit Thou Art Welcome

Holy Spirit Thou art welcome in this place
Holy Spirit Thou art welcome in this place
Omnipotent Father of Mercy and Grace
Thou art welcome in this place **REPEAT**

Spirit of Life

Spirit of Life, come unto me.
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea; move in the land,
Giving life the shape of justice.
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

OFFERING

Call to Give
Offertory
*Doxology
*Offertory Prayer

Linda Spohn

***HYMN**

Comfort Me

Comfort me, comfort me, comfort me, oh my soul.
Comfort me, comfort me, comfort me, oh my soul.

Speak for me, speak for me, speak for me, oh my soul.
Speak for me, speak for me, speak for me, oh my soul.

Sing with me, sing with me, sing with me, oh my soul.
Sing with me, sing with me, sing with me, oh my soul.

SPECIAL MUSIC

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SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE

I John 3:1-10

MESSAGE

Pastor Linda Lambert

***HYMN**

O Holy Spirit, Making Whole

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