

\* **The Doxology** # 780  
\* **Prayer of Dedication**  
**Bless our giving and our gifts that they might enable us to break down walls and cross over boundaries in the way and spirit of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\* **Closing Hymn** In Christ There Is No East or West *Oxenham*  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DumvCAO-rP8>

\* **Benediction**

\* **Postlude** Perfect Peace *Laura Story*  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6kj8pzDLcc8>

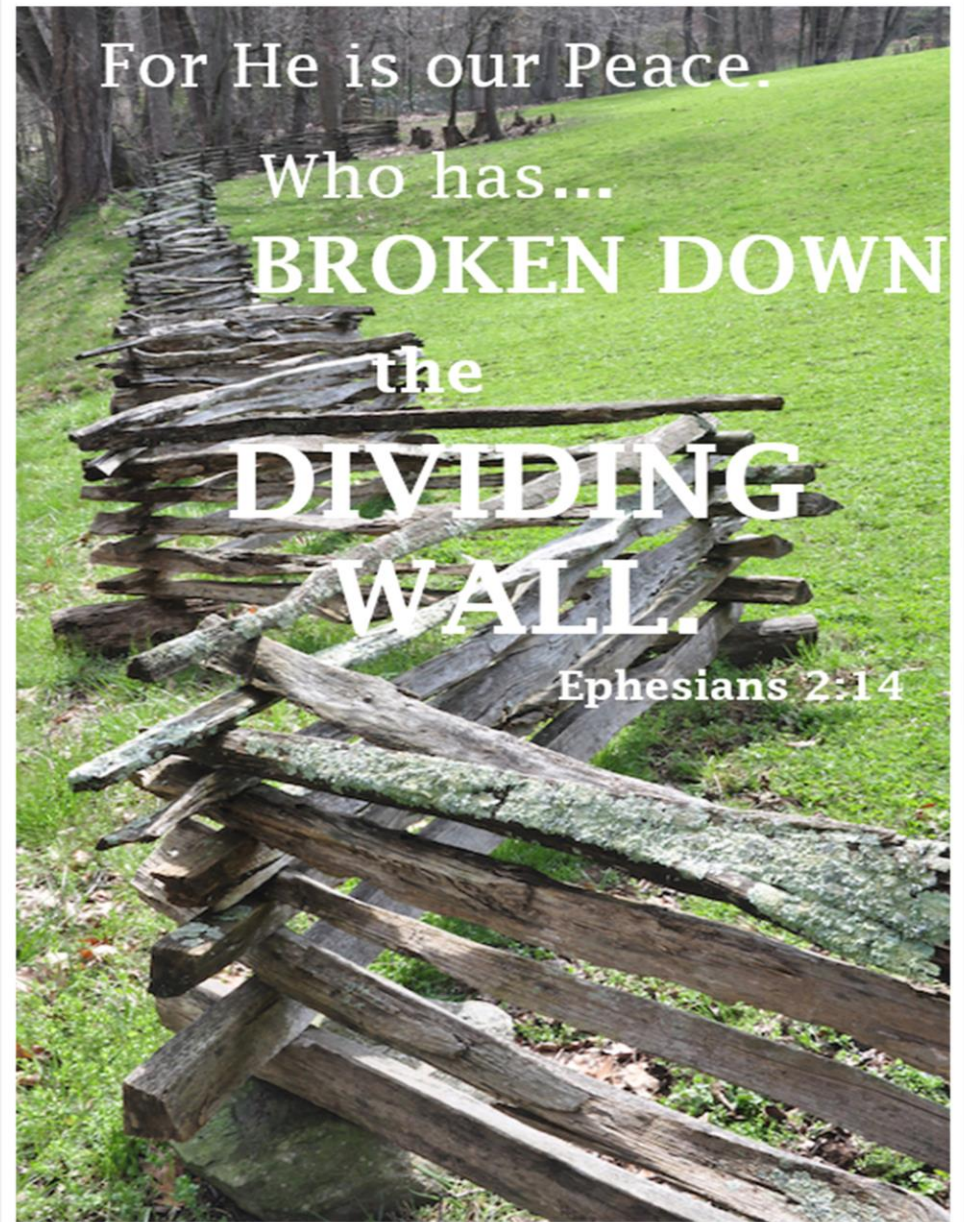
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*\*Let all God's children who are able please stand. If standing is difficult for you, please feel free to participate in worship while seated. We want you to be comfortable!*

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**Prelude**                      You Are My Strength                      *Spencer Roth*  
*<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YuMaBDjSA4c>*

All Are Welcome  
*Marty Haugen - Composer, Mark Hayes - Piano*  
*<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i7Vbk-4A2yA>*

**Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

One: A gift of a new day,

**All: Unlived, untried, ready to be opened.**

One: A new day with surprising miracles;

**All: With love to be given,**

One: Kindness to be shared

**All: And peace to be enjoyed.**

One: A gift of a new day,

**All: God's gift to us.**

One: Let us receive it with joy

**All: And live it in expectation.**

**\*HYMN**                      All Are Welcome                      *Marty Haugen*  
*<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=js8RtT0mJpc>*

**\* Prayer of Confession**

*(adapted from Restore Our Souls to Singing by Ted Loder)*

One: Please, do not weary of us, O God, as yet again we open before you the dark places of our lives and seek the healing of your light.

**All: Forgive us for the paces that forget you and snarls our days in a faithless scramble to make more ends meet than we can manage or than you purpose for us.**

One: Mercy us into humility and gratitude, restore our souls to singing, our hearts to loving, our hands to doing justice.

**All: Empower us to press on still and sturdily in the way you have shown us in Christ until we know in our blood and bones that nothing can separate us from your love. Amen.**

**Words of Assurance**

One: Friends, God is love and those who abide in love abide in God and God in them.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**\* The Gloria Patri**                      (tune & alternative text)                      **# 759**  
Traditional Text:

“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen. Amen.”

**Children's Sermon**

*(Please pass prayer requests to center aisle.)*

**Scripture Readings**                      Ephesians 2:11-22

*Scripture Reader: Sue Felmlee*

**Sermon**                      “Walls and Other Dividing Lines”                      *Rev. Rosemary Rocha*

**Sermon Hymn**                      Blest Be the Tie That Binds                      *Fawcett*  
*<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3oiNQidLwoA>*

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

**Offering our Gifts to God's Service**

*(Please sign & pass the Welcome Sheets)*

**Invitation**

**Offertory**                      All That We Have                      *Gary Ault*  
*<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k16C-ukG-KI>*