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Welcome to the **Commemorative Global Service Celebrating Nursing** in this the 2010 International Year of the Nurse (IYNurse). The 2010 IYNurse is a collaborative, grassroots, global initiative honoring nurses' voices, values, and wisdom - to act as catalysts for achieving a healthy world. The 2010 IYNurse is the centennial year of the death of the founder of modern nursing, Florence Nightingale (1820-1910). To celebrate this historic milestone, the 2010 IYNurse was established to actively involve the world's nurses — estimated to be more than 15 million — in a yearlong celebration of commitment to bring health to their communities, locally and worldwide.

We gather in this sacred place to pray in thanksgiving for and in celebration of the contributions of nurses globally in the promotion of world health, including the United Nations' Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). The MDGs are eight international development goals that 192 United Nations Member States and at least 23 international organizations agreed to achieve by the year 2015. They were officially established at the UN Millennium Summit in 2000, where world leaders adopted the UN Millennium Declaration from which these goals were promoted. While the MDGs center around several sectors, all eight focus the world's attention on critical issues which have an impact upon the health of humanity as a whole. On the screens throughout the Cathedral you will see ways in which nurses and health care givers around the world are working toward the MDGs with compassion and dedication. See also [www.2010iynurse.net](http://www.2010iynurse.net) for more contributions to this promise.

We honor the legacy of Florence Nightingale and other nurses, midwives and healthcare workers of the past and present. In their footsteps we follow and dedicate ourselves to these goals:

- 1 a world where extreme poverty and hunger are eradicated
- 2 a world in which universal primary education is known by all
- 3 a world of gender equality and one in which women in every nation are empowered
- 4 a world where children's health is strong and all children thrive to adulthood
- 5 a world where optimal maternal health is accessible by all
- 6 a world where HIV/AIDS, malaria, and others major diseases are eliminated
- 7 a world where environmental stability is ensured
- 8 a world where global partnerships for development endure.

We honor those nurses who have been awarded the 42nd Florence Nightingale Medal by the International Committee of the Red Cross. Please read more about the medal and our distinguished recipients on page 9.

Our offering today is received on behalf of the Girl Child Education Fund, an extension of the Girl Child Initiative, developed and implemented by the International Council of Nurses (ICN) and the Florence Nightingale International Foundation (FNIF). The fund supports the primary and secondary schooling of girls under the age of 18, in developing countries, whose nurse parent or parents have died, paying for fees, uniforms, shoes and books. Please read more on page 10.

On the back cover of this leaflet we have printed the Charter for Compassion in its entirety. We join with others in embracing this way of being in the world.

## Choral Prelude

Union University Singers  
Dr. Christopher W. Mathew, director  
Jackson, Tennessee

A Prayer of the Middle Ages

Schaff in mir, Gott, ein rein Herz, Op. 29, No. 2

Esto les digo

If ye love me

My God, I love thee

Hark, I hear the harps eternal

Howard Hanson (1896-1981)

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Kinley Lange (b. 1950)

Thomas Tallis (c. 1505-1585)

arr. Shawn E. Okpebhol (b. 1981)

arr. Alice Parker (b. 1925)

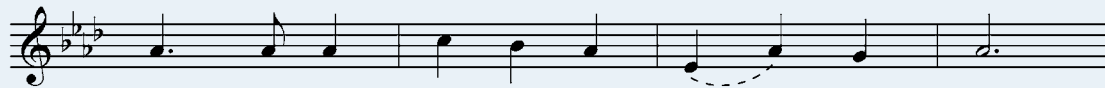
## Hymn

People of God

Earth and All Stars



Peo - ple of God, ga - ther to - geth - er,  
Hear - ing God's word, heed - ing the mes - sage,  
Bear - ing your gifts, en - ter God's pre - sence;  
Wo - men and men, har - mo - ny blend - ing,



come, let us sing on this glo - rious day.  
come and re - joice as we an - swer the call.  
come, let us share in the hea - ven - ly feast.  
come, swell the cho - rus in lov - ing ac - cord.



Shout - ing a - broad praise to the mak - er  
With one ac - cord, made in God's im - age,  
Mend - ing all rifts, heal - ing di - vi - sion,  
Rais - ing a - gain thanks ne - ver end - ing,



come and with bo - dy and soul let us pray.  
come in com - mu - ni - ty, wel - com - ing all.  
come and from sor - rows and hurts be re - leased.  
come to the God who is Wis - dom and Word.



Come let us join in the hea - ven - ly dance,



prais - ing in joy - ous ce - le - bra - - - tion.

## Welcome

The Reverend Gwendolyn W. Tobias

Dear friends, in this the centennial year of her death, we recognize Florence Nightingale as the founder of modern nursing and as a visionary who knew even in the nineteenth century that nursing practice should be measured by outcomes. Florence Nightingale emphasized the necessity of nursing being a profession and she argued that nurses should be educated, and not “trained.” Furthermore, she established the imperative of evidence-based practice, a nursing standard now widely considered as important as she knew it to be. Finally, she was a clinical educator, scientist, statistician, environmentalist, policy maker, and social activist. Her contributions to nursing theory, research, statistics, public health and healthcare reform are as foundational and inspirational to us today as they were a century ago. Above all we embrace Florence’s example of leading a holy life in communion with God and faithful to God’s service.

Today, we come together to recognize and embrace Florence Nightingale’s example of offering care and service to others and we celebrate nurses and health care professionals throughout the world. It is my pleasure to welcome you to this Cathedral Church. May Florence Nightingale’s ideals of compassion, quality of care and education continue to inspire and sustain us as healers in this world.

To this end, let us pray:

Life giving God, you alone have power over life and death, over health and sickness: Give power, wisdom, and gentleness to those who follow the lead of Florence Nightingale, that they, bearing with them the awareness of your constant presence, may shine as lanterns of hope in the darkest hours of pain and fear. **Amen.**

*The people are seated.*

*First Reading*

*Read by Louise C. Selanders*

Isaiah 58:6-12


Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rearguard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

## Hymn

Sung by all, standing.

Lord, make us servants of your peace

Dickinson College



Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace; where there is  
Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is  
Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -  
May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to  
Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark  
hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -  
gloom, may we sow hope, where all is night, may we sow  
soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing  
love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -  
night to end-less day; Lord, make us ser - vants of your  
give; where there is strife, may we make one.  
light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.  
hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.  
ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.  
peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

The people are seated.

## Second Reading

Read by Cynda Hylton Rushton

Matthew 5:14-16

Jesus said, "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

The people are seated.

## Reflection

Leslie Mancuso

## Inviting the Offering

Patricia E. Thompson

Interpretive dance by Zuleikha

## Anthem

Cathedral Choir of Men and Girls

Philip Wilby (b. 1949)

Make me a light

Make me a light to lighten the world,  
Make me a light to lighten the darkness,  
Make me so bright with your living word,  
That I may shine with your love.

I hold a candle in my hands,  
Light which I hold and which I hold true,  
Light of the world shine out in the dark,  
May it always remind me of You.

I hold a mirror in my hands,  
There what I am and what I may do,  
Shines back to me in your glorious light,  
Make me a worthy reflection of You.

I hold a seed within my hands,  
Lend me your help to make it grow  
Into the sweetest scented flower  
That it may lovelier flowers sow.

*The people stand as prayers are offered by health care workers representing the unity of many faith traditions gathered this day.*

## *The Prayers*

*Barbara Dossey* Gracious God, your mercy never ceases, your love transcends all pain. We offer our prayers to you saying, God of compassion and light,  
*All* **We humbly pray to you.**

*Doris Grinspun* For all who care for the sick and suffering throughout the world, in hospitals and in homes, in tents, and in ruins; for those who promote health and healing; for all engaged in clinical practice and research; for nurses being educated and for those who teach them; for those who have the authority to make policy and allocate health care resources and for their wisdom and concern for the welfare of all people. God of compassion and light,  
*All* **We humbly pray to you.**

*Susie Kim* For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; for those living with life threatening illnesses; for the elderly and frail; for the disabled; and for all living in the aftermath of natural disaster or war; with gratitude for the gifts that God gives us in all things; for wisdom and patience, sympathy and skill, insight and hope. God of compassion and light,  
*All* **We humbly pray to you.**

*Noreen Teoh* For all who have died that they may rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but everlasting life; for all who are bereaved that they may be comforted in their distress. God of compassion and light,  
*All* **We humbly pray to you.**

*Noor Pearce* We give you thanks, most merciful God, for hearing our prayers. We are grateful for the patients and families who enrich our lives; for those who work beside us; for the teachers, mentors, and administrators who give of themselves so freely; for our families and friends for their support and love; for congregations, clergy, and spiritual friends; and most of all for your constant presence in our lives. May we radiate your care to a hurting world.  
*All* **Amen.**

## *Passing of the Light of Knowledge*

### *The Flame of Florence Nightingale's Legacy*

*Read by Deva-Marie Beck*

Today our world needs healing and to be rekindled with love.  
Once, Florence Nightingale lit her beacon of lamp light to comfort the wounded.  
And her light has blazed a path of service across a century to us.  
Through her example and through the countless nurses and healers who have followed in her footsteps.  
Today, we celebrate the flame of Florence Nightingale's legacy.  
Let that same light be rekindled to burn brightly in our hearts.  
Let us take up our own lanterns of caring, each in our own ways.  
To more brightly walk our own paths of service to the world.  
To more clearly share our own noble purpose with each other.  
May human caring become the lantern for the twenty-first century.  
May we better learn to care for ourselves, for each other and for all creation.  
Through our caring, may we be the keepers of that flame.  
That our spirits may burn brightly to kindle the hearts of our children and great-grandchildren as they too follow in these footsteps.

## Anthem

*A Gaelic Blessing*

*Cathedral Choir of Men and Girls*

John Rutter (b. 1945)

Deep peace of the running wave to you,  
Deep peace of the flowing air to you,  
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you,  
Deep peace of the shining stars to you,  
Deep peace of the gentle night to you.  
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you,  
Deep peace of God the light of the world to you,  
Deep peace of God to you.

## Blessing

Barbara M. Dossey

May the light of knowledge be manifest in us that our lives may be a light to the world. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's love and compassion be with us always. **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

*For the Healing of the Nations*

*Cwm Rhondda*



For the heal - ing of the na - tions, God, we pray with  
Lead us for - ward in - to free - dom; from de - spair your  
All that spoils a - bun - dant liv - ing, let it from the  
You, Cre - a - tor God, have writ - ten your great name on  
one ac - cord; for a just and e - qual shar - ing  
world re - lease, that, re - deemed from war and ha - tred,  
earth be banned; pride of sta - tus, self, or cus - tom,  
hu - man - kind; for our grow - ing in your like - ness  
of the things that earth af - fords; to a life of  
all may come and go in peace. Show us how through  
pre - cepts that ob - scure your plan. In our com - mon  
bring the life of love to mind, that by our re -  
love in ac - tion help us rise and pledge our word,  
care and good - ness fear will die and hope in - crease,  
quest for jus - tice may we hal - low life's brief span,  
sponse and ser - vice earth its des - ti - ny may find,  
help us rise and pledge our word.  
fear will die and hope in - crease.  
may we hal - low life's brief span.  
earth its des - ti - - - ny may find.

## Postlude

*Toccata 'Haec Dies'*

Paule Piedelièvre (1902-1964)



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## *The 42nd Annual International Red Cross Florence Nightingale Medal Recipients*

The Florence Nightingale Medal is awarded by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) to up to 50 qualified nurses worldwide each year who are active members or regular helpers of a National Red Cross or Red Crescent Society or of an affiliated medical or nursing institution. The Medal may be awarded to those who have distinguished themselves in time of peace or war by:

- exceptional courage and devotion to the wounded, sick, or disabled, or to civilian victims of a conflict or disaster.
- a creative and pioneering spirit in the areas of public health or nursing education.

The 2009 nurse recipients of the 42nd Florence Nightingale Medal join 60 distinguished United States nursing leaders who have received the Medal since its first presentation in 1920.

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*The Girl Child Education Fund*

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Being orphaned is a significant barrier to achieving gender parity in education. Today, there are close to 16 million children worldwide orphaned by HIV/AIDS, most in Africa. These children are often the first to be denied education when their extended families cannot afford to educate them. And orphaned girls are likely to be the first to be taken out of school to provide child care at home.

The Fund initially focused on 4 countries in sub-Saharan Africa: Kenya, Swaziland, Uganda and Zambia. While costs vary between countries, approximately \$200USD will cover the annual costs of uniforms, school books, and fees for each girl for primary education, and approximately \$600 for secondary education.

Since it was first launched five years ago, the Girl Child Education Fund has enabled 39 girls to complete their secondary schooling. Over 250 girls are currently in the program: 55 in Kenya, 48 in Zambia, 49 in Swaziland, and 106 in Uganda.

Please consider making a donation to this fund today so that the orphaned daughters of nurses in developing countries have an opportunity to return to or stay in school. Many will not have that opportunity without our help.

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The principle of compassion lies at the heart of all religious, ethical, and spiritual traditions, calling us always to treat all others as we wish to be treated ourselves. Compassion impels us to work tirelessly to alleviate the suffering of our fellow creatures, to dethrone ourselves from the centre of our world and put another there, and to honour the inviolable sanctity of every single human being, treating everybody, without exception, with absolute justice, equity and respect.

**It is also necessary** in both public and private life to refrain consistently and empathically from inflicting pain. To act or speak violently out of spite, chauvinism, or self-interest, to impoverish, exploit or deny basic rights to anybody, and to incite hatred by denigrating others - even our enemies - is a denial of our common humanity. We acknowledge that we have failed to live compassionately and that some have even increased the sum of human misery in the name of religion.

**We therefore call upon all men and women** - to restore compassion to the centre of morality and religion - to return to the ancient principle that any interpretation of scripture that breeds violence, hatred or disdain is illegitimate - to encourage a positive appreciation of cultural and religious diversity - to ensure that youth are given accurate and respectful information about other traditions, religions and cultures - to cultivate an informed empathy with the suffering of all human beings, even those regarded as enemies.

**We urgently need** to make compassion a clear, luminous and dynamic force in our polarized world. Rooted in a principled determination to transcend selfishness, compassion can break down political, dogmatic, ideological and religious boundaries. Born of our deep interdependence, compassion is essential to human relationships and to a fulfilled humanity. It is the path to enlightenment and indispensable to the creation of a just economy and a peaceful global community.



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