



**June 4, 2023
Sunday Gathering**

-PRELUDE-

"In Christ Alone" – arr. M. Hayes
Brenda Gardiner

-ACKNOWLEDGEMENT-

We acknowledge that the place where we are gathered today is the ancient and ancestral homeland of more than twenty Indigenous tribes. We mourn the loss of their lives, livelihoods, homes, and cultures, and acknowledge the legacy of violence against them.

We acknowledge that the space where we worship today was established and built by those whose Black ancestors were also abused and mistreated - some even bought and sold as enslaved people right here in our city.

We acknowledge the women who've faced unfair treatment and misogyny throughout the ages and we acknowledge those who identify as LGBTQ or other who've been mistreated and misunderstood.

We acknowledge our role and responsibility as professed followers of Christ to stand for and alongside all of these and others who have been and continue to be oppressed.

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Welcome"

LET'S WALK TOGETHER FOR A WHILE
AND ASK WHERE WE BEGIN
TO BUILD A WORLD WHERE LOVE CAN GROW
AND HOPE CAN ENTER IN,
TO BE THE HANDS OF HEALING
AND TO PLANT THE SEED OF PEACE,

SINGING WELCOME,
WELCOME TO THIS PLACE.
YOU'RE INVITED
TO COME AND KNOW GOD'S GRACE.
ALL ARE WELCOME,
THE LOVE OF GOD TO SHARE.
'CAUSE ALL OF US ARE WELCOME HERE;
ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE.

-WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS-

-GREETING EACH OTHER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Welcome"

WELCOME!

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THE LOVE OF GOD TO SHARE.

'CAUSE ALL OF US ARE WELCOME HERE;

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-CALL TO WORSHIP-

The power of dreams lies in waking up.

For when we close our eyes,

WE CAN SEE A BETTER WORLD,

When we open our eyes,

WE DREAM A BETTER DREAM.

The power of worship is the same.

When we enter this time,

WE CAN ENVISION A BETTER WORLD.

When we leave this place fueled by God,

WE LEAVE TO BUILD A KIN-DOM.

Let us wake up and worship God.

-OPENING PRAYER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Gather Us In"

HERE IN THIS PLACE, THE NEW LIGHT IS STREAMING,

SHADOWS OF DOUBT ARE VANISHED AWAY.

SEE IN THIS SPACE OUR FEARS AND OUR DREAMINGS,

BROUGHT TO YOU HERE IN THE LIGHT OF THIS DAY.

GATHER US IN, THE LOST AND FORSAKEN;

GATHER US IN; OUR SPIRITS INFLAME.

CALL TO US NOW AND WE SHALL AWAKEN;

WE SHALL ARISE AT THE SOUND OF YOUR NAME.

HERE WE RECEIVE NEW LIFE IN THE WATERS;

HERE WE RECEIVE THE BREAD OF NEW BIRTH;

HERE YOU SHALL CALL YOUR CHILDREN TOGETHER,

CALL US ANEW TO BE SALT OF THE EARTH.

GIVE US TO DRINK THE WINE OF COMPASSION,
GIVE US TO EAT THE BREAD THAT IS YOU;
NOURISH US WELL, AND TEACH US TO FASHION
LIVES THAT ARE HOLY AND HEARTS THAT ARE TRUE.

NOT JUST IN BUILDINGS, SMALL AND CONFINING,
NOT IN SOME HEAVEN, LIGHT YEARS AWAY,
HERE IN THIS PLACE THE NEW LIGHT IS SHINING;
NOW IS GOD PRESENT, AND NOW IS THE DAY.

GATHER US IN AND HOLD US FOREVER;
GATHER US IN AND MAKE US YOUR OWN;
GATHER US IN, ALL PEOPLES TOGETHER,
FIRE OF LOVE IN OUR FLESH AND OUR BONES.

-SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Standing in the Need of Prayer"

IT'S NOT MY BROTHER, NOT MY SISTER,
BUT IT'S ME, O LORD,
STANDING IN THE NEED OF PRAYER;
NOT MY NEIGHBOR OR ANOTHER,
BUT IT'S ME, O LORD,
STANDING IN THE NEED OF PRAYER.

IT'S ME, IT'S ME, O LORD,
STANDING IN THE NEED OF PRAYER;
IT'S ME, IT'S ME, O LORD,
STANDING IN THE NEED OF PRAYER.

-PASTORAL PRAYER-

-SCRIPTURE-

Acts 20: 7-12 (CEB)

On the first day of the week, as we gathered together for a meal, Paul was holding a discussion with them. Since he was leaving the next day, he continued talking until midnight. There were many lamps in the upstairs room where we had gathered. A young man named Eutychus was sitting in the window. He was sinking into a deep sleep as Paul talked on and on. When he was sound asleep, he fell from the third floor and died. Paul went down, fell on him and embraced him, then said, "Don't be alarmed. He's alive!" Then Paul went back upstairs and ate. He talked for a long time—right up until daybreak—then he left. They took the young man away alive, and they were greatly comforted.

-THE MESSAGE-

"Wake Up!"

Pam Lee-Miller

-COMMUNION-

"Christ, Be Our Light" – B. Farrell

Brenda Gardiner

-OFFERING-

"Romance in Eb" – A. Rubenstein

Brenda Gardiner

-THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE-

-INVITATION TO RESPOND-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE,
SHOW US HOW TO SERVE
THE NEIGHBORS WE HAVE FROM YOU.

KNEELS AT THE FEET OF HIS FRIENDS,
SILENTLY WASHES THEIR FEET,
JESU, YOU ACTED AS SERVANT TO THEM.

JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE,
SHOW US HOW TO SERVE
THE NEIGHBORS WE HAVE FROM YOU.

NEIGHBORS ARE RICH AND POOR,
VARIED IN COLOR AND RACE,
NEIGHBORS ARE NEAR AND FAR AWAY.

JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE,
SHOW US HOW TO SERVE
THE NEIGHBORS WE HAVE FROM YOU.

THESE ARE THE ONES WE SHOULD SERVE,
THESE ARE THE ONES WE SHOULD LOVE;
ALL THESE ARE NEIGHBORS TO US AND YOU.

JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE,
SHOW US HOW TO SERVE
THE NEIGHBORS WE HAVE FROM YOU.

LOVING PUTS US ON OUR KNEES,
SHOWING OUR FAITH BY OUR DEEDS,
SERVING THE NEIGHBORS WE HAVE FROM YOU.

JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE,
SHOW US HOW TO SERVE
THE NEIGHBORS WE HAVE FROM YOU.

KNEEL AT THE FEET OF OUR FRIENDS,
SILENTLY WASHING THEIR FEET,
THIS IS THE WAY WE SHOULD LIVE WITH YOU.

JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE,
SHOW US HOW TO SERVE
THE NEIGHBORS WE HAVE FROM YOU.

-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"

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SHOW US HOW TO SERVE
THE NEIGHBORS WE HAVE FROM YOU.