

May 28, 2023 Sunday Gathering

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-PRELUDE-

"Spirit Song" – J. Wimber 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-

"I Dream of a Church"

WE DREAM OF A CHURCH
WHERE EVERYONE IS WELCOME,
WE DREAM OF A PLACE
WE ALL CAN CALL HOME.
WE DREAM OF A WORLD
WHERE JUSTICE IS FLOWING
WITH HOPE AND PEACE GROWING,
WHERE GOD'S WILL IS DONE.

MAKE IT SO,
MAKE IT SO!
WE PRAY FOR THAT DAY,
MAKE IT SO.
WE DREAM OF A WORLD
WHERE LOVE REIGNS AMONG US

AND YOUR WILL IS DONE O GOD. MAKE IT SO.

-WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS-

-GREETING EACH OTHER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"I Dream of a Church"
O GOD, FILL OUR HEARTS
TO REACH OUT IN WELCOME,
MAKE US TO SEE
YOUR VISION ONCE MORE.
LET'S DREAM OF A WORLD
WHERE OUR HANDS ARE YOUR HANDS,
WE OFFER OURSELVES,
O GOD, MAKE IT SO.

MAKE IT SO,
MAKE IT SO!
WE PRAY FOR THAT DAY,
MAKE IT SO.
WE DREAM OF A WORLD
WHERE LOVE REIGNS AMONG US
AND YOUR WILL IS DONE
O GOD, MAKE IT SO.

-CALL TO WORSHIP-

Come, Holy Spirit,
THE WIND OF GOD, THE BREATH OF LIFE.
Come, Holy Spirit,
OUR ADVOCATE, OUR COUNSELOR.
Come, Holy Spirit,
TEACHER OF WISDOM, GIVER OF PEACE.
Come, Holy Spirit,

MAY WE FEEL GOD BREATHING THROUGH OUR WORSHIP.

May the Spirit fall anew upon giving us courage to answer our calling.

FOR WE HAVE BEEN CALLED TO BE THE CHURCH.

-OPENING PRAYER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

THERE'S A SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT IN THIS PLACE,
AND WE KNOW THAT IT'S THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD;
THERE ARE SWEET EXPRESSIONS ON EACH FACE,
AND WE KNOW THEY FEEL THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD.

SWEET HOLY SPIRIT,
SWEET HEAVENLY DOVE,
STAY RIGHT HERE WITH US,
FILLING US WITH YOUR LOVE;
AND FOR THESE BLESSINGS
WE LIFT OUR HEARTS IN PRAISE.
WITHOUT A DOUBT WE'LL KNOW
THAT WE HAVE BEEN REVIVED
WHEN WE SHALL LEAVE THIS PLACE.

THERE ARE BLESSINGS WE SHALL ALL RECEIVE
WHEN WE KNOW THE SPIRIT'S FULLNESS AND BELIEVE;
ALL THE WORLD WILL PROFIT WHEN WE PRAY,
AND WE WALK IN THE SPIRIT EVERY DAY.

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SWEET HEAVENLY DOVE,
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FILLING US WITH YOUR LOVE;
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WITHOUT A DOUBT WE'LL KNOW
THAT WE HAVE BEEN REVIVED
WHEN WE SHALL LEAVE THIS PLACE.

-SHARING JOYS & CONCERNS-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Spirit of the Living God"
SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD,
FALL AFRESH ON ME,
SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD,
FALL AFRESH ON ME.
BREAK ME, MELT ME, MOLD ME, FILL ME.
SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD,
FALL AFRESH ON ME

-PASTORAL PRAYER-

-SCRIPTURE-

Acts 2: 1-4 (CEB)

When Pentecost Day arrived, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound from heaven like the howling of a fierce wind filled the entire house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be individual flames of fire alighting on them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit enabled them to speak.

-THE MESSAGE-

"An Anointing of the Church"

Pam Lee-Miller

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"The Open Table"
COME, OH COME,
COME TO THE TABLE.
GATHER 'ROUND,
COME WITHOUT FEAR.
KNOWN BY NAME,
HERE AT THE TABLE, THIS TABLE;
WELCOME HERE TO THE TABLE OF LOVE.

CIRCLE, 'ROUND,
LET'S JOIN TOGETHER.
SHARE YOUR JOYS,
AND BRING YOUR TEARS.
STRENGTH AND HOPE
FOUND AT THE TABLE, THIS TABLE;
WELCOME HERE TO THE TABLE OF LOVE.

GOD IS LOVE;
LOVE IS CREATING
SOMETHING NEW,
RIGHT HERE, RIGHT NOW.
WE'RE CHILDREN OF GOD,
HERE AT THE TABLE, THIS TABLE;
WELCOME HERE TO THE TABLE OF LOVE.

-COMMUNION-

"Come, Holy Spirit" – Gaither Brenda Gardiner

-OFFERING-

"Loving God, Loving Each Other" – Gaither
Brenda Gardiner

-THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE-

-INVITATION TO RESPOND-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit"
EVERY TIME I FEEL THE SPIRIT
MOVING IN MY HEART I WILL PRAY.

YES, EVERY TIME I FEEL THE SPIRIT MOVING IN MY HEART I WILL PRAY.

UPON THE MOUNTAIN MY GOD SPOKE,
OUT OF GOD'S MOUTH CAME FIRE AND SMOKE.
LOOKED ALL AROUND ME; IT LOOKED TO FINE,
I ASKED MY GOD IF ALL WERE MINE.

EVERY TIME I FEEL THE SPIRIT MOVING IN MY HEART I WILL PRAY. YES, EVERY TIME I FEEL THE SPIRIT MOVING IN MY HEART I WILL PRAY.

OH, JORDAN RIVER, CHILLY AND COLD, IT CHILLS THE BODY, BUT NOT THE SOUL. THERE'S ONLY ONE TRAIN ON THIS TRACK; IT RUNS TO HEAVEN, THEN RIGHT BACK

EVERY TIME I FEEL THE SPIRIT MOVING IN MY HEART I WILL PRAY. YES, EVERY TIME I FEEL THE SPIRIT MOVING IN MY HEART I WILL PRAY.

-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-

We believe we have been called
TO BE IN RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD,
WITH EACH OTHER, AND WITH OUR COMMUNITY.
We believe we have been called
TO A DEEPLY COMMITTED
LOVE RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.
We believe we have been called.
TO BE THE CHURCH.

-SINGING TOGETHER-

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MOVING IN MY HEART I WILL PRAY.
YES, EVERY TIME I FEEL THE SPIRIT
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