

## UNITED AMIDST DIVISION

### Complete In Diversity

The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body--whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free--and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. **1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-13**

As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit--just as you were called to one hope when you were called--one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

#### **EPHESIANS 4:1-6**

Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

#### **GENESIS 1:26**

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

#### **PHILIPPIANS 2:3-4**

The fruit of that righteousness will be peace; its effect will be quietness and confidence forever. **ISAIAH 32:17**

Keeping in mind that the body of Christ is complete in diversity, we participate in its completion by seeking further understanding and putting to practice these necessary principles for navigating the challenges of diversity in community:

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. **MICAH 6:8**

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