

SACRED EARTH, SACRED WORK

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PRIDE

This is a house of prayer for all people. You are welcome here.

CONNECTING FROM EAST AND WEST, FROM NORTH AND SOUTH

PRELUDES

WELCOME & LIGHTING OF CANDLES

GATHERING MUSIC

“Get Up And Go!”

By Brian Bonsor

Lynn Whidden on Recorder

THRESHOLD MOMENT

A MESSAGE FROM THE MODERATOR

“Happy Pride: A Message of Apology, Healing & Radical Belonging”

WATER BLESSING

FROM THE 2S AND LGBTQIA+ APOLOGY TASK GROUP

SONG FOR THE SEASON

“God of Many Faces”

Hymn tune: Slane

PRAYER

AFFIRMING AND CONNECTING

The spirit and peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

“VU” refers to the red hymn book; “MV” is the coil bound book.

SHARING OUR SACRED STORIES

SPIRIT KIDS' CLUB THEME TIME

LITURGY OF PRESENTATION

Psalm 139:1–6, 13–15, 17–18

SUNG RESPONSE

“I Have Called You by Your Name” MV 161
verse 1

RESPONSE

L: Although we know, deep in our bones, that we are all created in God’s utter loveliness, that God delights in our bodies and dreams wonderful things for us, we have erased and distorted dreams in our community. Some have erased and distorted dreams, out of fear and grief. Dreams and visions of ministry fractured...by “do not hire” lists, by being quiet, by leaving the church, by threats of violence, by being harmed and suffering abuse...

**All: When gifts for ministry go unrecognized,
and when bodies are not honoured as beloved,
we distort God’s dream.**

Genesis 2:7

SUNG RESPONSE

“I Have Called You by Your Name” MV 161
verse 3

RESPONSE

L: Although we know, deep in our bones, that all—we and all of Creation—are created in God’s utter loveliness, that God delights in our bodies, as a church we have distorted and erased God’s dreams for Creation and community, dreams that were forced to be abandoned, given up, buried.

We confess the ways we have permanently damaged these beautiful dreams...damage that has caused separation from God’s dreams. We confess that hearts are still broken. We confess that we are only now recognizing our own pain and the pain of one another.

All: Be with us, O God of Love, turn us toward your dream for all of Creation.

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APOLOGY AND ACTION

SUNG RESPONSE

“I Have Called You by Your Name” MV 161
verse 4

RESPONSE

L: We have failed to celebrate and delight in all of your beautiful Creation.
We have wounded people instead of seeking wholeness.

All: **We are sorry.**

READING OF THE APOLOGY

ASSURANCE OF GRACE
SONG OF FAITH

“Deep in Our Hearts” MV 154

Mark 1:9-11

SUNG RESPONSE

“I Have Called You by Your Name” MV 161
verse 2

AFFIRMATION AND COMMITMENTS

L: As a church, we affirm that we and all of Creation are created in God’s utter loveliness, that
God delights in our bodies.

All: **You are my beloved.**

We affirm that the call of baptism is the foundation to all calls to discipleship and ministry.

All: **You are my beloved.**

We will work to counter harm toward 2S and LGBTQIA+ siblings.

All: **You are my beloved.**

We will affirm and support the leadership of all God’s people.

All: **You are my beloved.**

We will continue to celebrate the beauty and diversity of God’s dream for justice and joy.

All: **You are my beloved.**

BREAKING OPEN OUR HEARTS THROUGH PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SUNG RESPONSE

“There Is Room for All” MV 62

English - French - English

**BOLD DISCIPLESHIP, DEEP SPIRITUALITY
DARING JUSTICE**

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISMAL FAITH

SONG FOR THE JOURNEY

“Bambelela” TLUS 103

COMMISSIONING AND BLESSING

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

POSTLUDE