



September 13, 2026
Sunday Gathering

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-PRELUDE-

"In My Heart There Rings a Melody" – arr. R. House

Brenda Gardiner

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-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.

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-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 SEEDS 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.

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-WELCOME & GREETING-

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-SINGING TOGETHER-
"Welcome"

LET'S TALK TOGETHER OF A TIME
WHEN WE WILL SHARE A FEAST,
WHERE PRIDE AND POWER KNEEL TO SERVE
THE LONELY AND THE LEAST,
AND JOY WILL SET THE TABLE
AS WE JOIN OUR HANDS TO PRAY.

SINGING WELCOME,
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THE LOVE OF GOD TO SHARE.
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ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE.

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-CALL TO WORSHIP-

We each have been given gifts from God to use in the world.
SOME WILL BE TEACHERS, OTHERS PREACHERS;

Some will dream visions of possibility; others will make the vision a reality
SOME WILL BE LEADERS, OTHERS SKILLED WORKERS.

Some will be peacemakers; some change agents;
And others fighters of injustice in the world.
Some are gifted as huggers, cooks, street sweepers and letter writers.
ALL ARE BLESSED BY GOD TO BUILD A WORLD OF LOVE.

All gifts come from God!
LET US BECOME WILLING TO OPEN OUR GIFTS AND TRUST THAT GOD WILL USE IT.
AMEN.

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-OPENING PRAYER-

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-GREETING ONE ANOTHER-

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-SINGING TOGETHER-
"Many Gifts, One Spirit"

GOD OF CHANGE AND GLORY,
GOD OF TIME AND SPACE,

WHEN WE FEAR THE FUTURE,
GIVE TO US YOUR GRACE.
IN THE MIDST OF CHANGING WAYS
GIVE US STILL THE GRACE TO PRAISE.

MANY GIFTS, ONE SPIRIT,
ONE LOVE KNOWN IN MANY WAYS.
IN OUR DIFFERENCE IS BLESSING,
FROM DIVERSITY WE PRAISE
ONE GIVER, ONE LORD, ONE SPIRIT, ONE WORD
KNOWN IN MANY WAYS,
HALLOWING OUR DAYS.
FOR THE GIVER, FOR THE GIFTS,
PRAISE, PRAISE, PRAISE!

GOD OF MANY COLORS,
GOD OF MANY SIGNS,
YOU HAVE MADE US DIFFERENT,
BLESSING MANY KINDS.
AS THE OLD WAYS DISAPPEAR,
LET YOUR LOVE CAST OUT OUR FEAR.

MANY GIFTS, ONE SPIRIT,
ONE LOVE KNOWN IN MANY WAYS.
IN OUR DIFFERENCE IS BLESSING,
FROM DIVERSITY WE PRAISE
ONE GIVER, ONE LORD, ONE SPIRIT, ONE WORD
KNOWN IN MANY WAYS,
HALLOWING OUR DAYS.
FOR THE GIVER, FOR THE GIFTS,
PRAISE, PRAISE, PRAISE!

FRESHNESS OF THE MORNING,
NEWNESS OF EACH NIGHT,
YOU ARE STILL CREATING
ENDLESS LOVE AND LIGHT.
THIS WE SEE, AS SHADOWS PART,
MANY GIFTS FROM ONE GREAT HEART.

MANY GIFTS, ONE SPIRIT,
ONE LOVE KNOWN IN MANY WAYS.
IN OUR DIFFERENCE IS BLESSING,
FROM DIVERSITY WE PRAISE
ONE GIVER, ONE LORD, ONE SPIRIT, ONE WORD
KNOWN IN MANY WAYS,
HALLOWING OUR DAYS.

FOR THE GIVER, FOR THE GIFTS,
PRAISE, PRAISE, PRAISE!

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-SCRIPTURE-

I Corinthians 12:4-11 (CEB)

There are different spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; and there are different ministries and the same Lord; and there are different activities but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. A demonstration of the Spirit is given to each person for the common good. A word of wisdom is given by the Spirit to one person, a word of knowledge to another according to the same Spirit, faith to still another by the same Spirit, gifts of healing to another in the one Spirit, performance of miracles to another, prophecy to another, the ability to tell spirits apart to another, different kinds of tongues^[a] to another, and the interpretation of the tongues to another. All these things are produced by the one and same Spirit who gives what he wants to each person.

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-THE MESSAGE-

“BUCC, Do We Dare?”

Pam Lee-Miller

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-SINGING TOGETHER-

“There’s a Spirit of Love in This Place”

THERE’S A SPIRIT OF LOVE IN THIS PLACE,
THERE’S A SPIRIT OF LOVE IN THIS PLACE.
YOU CAN’T SEE IT, BUT IT’S THERE
JUST AS PRECIOUS AS THE AIR.
THERE’S A SPIRIT OF LOVE IN THIS PLACE.

O ALLELUIA,
SING ALLELUIA!
WE BLESS YOUR HOLY NAME.
O ALLELUIA,
SING ALLELUIA!
THERE’S A SPIRIT OF LOVE IN THIS PLACE.

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-JOYS & CONCERNS-

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-PASTORAL PRAYER-

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-SINGING TOGETHER-

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-INVITATION TO COMMUNION-

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-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.

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.

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-IN GRATITUDE-

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-OFFERING-

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-ANNOUNCEMENTS-

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-INVITATION TO RESPOND-

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-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Take My Life"

TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE
CONSECRATED, LORD, TO THEE.
TAKE MY MOMENTS AND MY DAYS;
LET THEM FLOW IN CEASELESS PRAISE,
LET THEM FLOW IN CEASELESS PRAISE.

TAKE MY HANDS, AND LET THEM MOVE
AT THE IMPULSE OF THY LOVE.
TAKE MY FEET, AND LET THEM BE
SWIFT AND BEAUTIFUL FOR THEE,
SWIFT AND BEAUTIFUL FOR THEE.

TAKE MY VOICE, AND LET ME SING;
UNTO GOD MY PRAISES BRING.
TAKE MY LIPS AND LET THEM BE
FILLED WITH MESSAGES FROM THEE,
FILLED WITH MESSAGES FROM THEE.

TAKE MY SILVER AND MY GOLD,
NOT A MILE WOULD I WITHHOLD;
TAKE MY INTELLECT, AND USE
EVERY POWER AS THOU SHALT CHOOSE,
EVERY POWER AS THOU SHALT CHOOSE.

TAKE MY WILL, AND MAKE IT THINE;
IT SHALL BE NO LONGER MINE.
TAKE MY HEART, IT IS THINE OWN;
IT SHALL BE THY ROYAL THRONE,
IT SHALL BE THY ROYAL THRONE.

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-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-

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-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Take My Life"

TAKE MY LOVE, MY LORD, I POUR
AT THY FEET ITS TREASURE STORE.
TAKE MYSELF, AND I WILL BE
EVER, ONLY ALL FOR THEE,
EVER, ONLY ALL FOR THEE.