



**October 12, 2025
Sunday Gathering**

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-PRELUDE-

*"Deep River" arr. K. L. Phillips
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-

"Love Has Broken Down the Wall"

LOVE HAS BROKEN DOWN THE WALL,
LOVE HAS BROKEN DOWN THE WALL.
LET US JOIN OUR HEARTS AS ONE.
LOVE HAS BROKEN DOWN THE WALL.

CAST ASIDE YOUR DOUBTS AND FEARS,
CAST ASIDE YOUR DOUBTS AND FEARS.
PEACE AND LOVE, FREELY OFFERED HERE;
CAST ASIDE YOUR DOUBTS AND FEARS.

LOVE HAS BROKEN DOWN THE WALL,
LOVE HAS BROKEN DOWN THE WALL.
LET US JOIN OUR HEARTS AS ONE.
LOVE HAS BROKEN DOWN THE WALL.

WE'RE ACCEPTED AS WE ARE,
WE'RE ACCEPTED AS WE ARE.
THROUGH LOVE'S POW'R WE'RE RECONCILED.
WE'RE ACCEPTED AS WE ARE.

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-WELCOME-

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-SINGING TOGETHER-

"We Are The Salt of the Earth"

YOU ARE SALT FOR THE EARTH, O PEOPLE,
SALT FOR THE KIN-DOM OF GOD!
SHARE THE FLAVOR OF LIFE, O PEOPLE:
LIFE IN THE KIN-DOM OF GOD!

BRING FORTH THE KIN-DOM OF MERCY,
BRING FORTH THE KIN-DOM OF PEACE;
BRING FORTH THE KIN-DOM OF JUSTICE,
BRING FORTH THE CITY OF GOD!

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-DEVOTIONAL-

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-SINGING TOGETHER-

"We Are The Salt of the Earth"

BRING FORTH THE KIN-DOM OF MERCY,
BRING FORTH THE KIN-DOM OF PEACE;
BRING FORTH THE KIN-DOM OF JUSTICE,
BRING FORTH THE CITY OF GOD!

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-REFLECTION-

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-OPENING PRAYER-

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-GREETING ONE ANOTHER-

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-SINGING TOGETHER-

"We Are One in the Spirit"

WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT,
WE ARE ONE IN THE LORD.
WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT,
WE ARE ONE IN THE LORD.

AND WE PRAY THAT ALL UNITY WILL ONE DAY BE RESTORED.

AND THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE,
BY OUR LOVE.

AND THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE.

WE WILL WALK WITH EACH OTHER,
WE WILL WALK HAND IN HAND.
WE WILL WALK WITH EACH OTHER,
WE WILL WALK HAND IN HAND.
AND TOGETHER WE'LL SPREAD THE NEWS THAT GOD IS IN OUR LAND.

AND THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE,
BY OUR LOVE.
AND THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE.

WE WILL WORK WITH EACH OTHER,
WE WILL WORK SIDE BY SIDE.
WE WILL WORK WITH EACH OTHER,
WE WILL WORK SIDE BY SIDE.
WE WILL GUARD EACH ONE'S DIGNITY AND SAVE EACH ONE'S PRIDE.

AND THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE,
BY OUR LOVE.
AND THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE.

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-SCRIPTURE-

Acts 2:42-47 (CEB)

The believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the community, to their shared meals, and to their prayers. A sense of awe came over everyone. God performed many wonders and signs through the apostles. All the believers were united and shared everything. They would sell pieces of property and possessions and distribute the proceeds to everyone who needed them. Every day, they met together in the temple and ate in their homes. They shared food with gladness and simplicity. They praised God and demonstrated God's goodness to everyone. The Lord added daily to the community those who were being saved.

1 Peter 4:8-10 (CEB)

Above all, show sincere love to each other, because love brings about the forgiveness of many sins. Open your homes to each other without complaining. And serve each other according to the gift each person has received, as good managers of God's diverse gifts.

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-THE MESSAGE-

"What Can I Do?"

Kenny Bishop

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-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

LORD, LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN PRAYING,
LORD, SEND YOUR SPIRIT IN THIS PLACE;
LORD, LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN PRAYING,

SEND US LOVE,
SEND US POW’R,
SEND US GRACE.

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-PASTORAL PRAYER-

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-INVITATION TO COMMUNION-

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-SINGING TOGETHER-

“Come to Table of Grace”

COME TO THE TABLE OF GRACE,
COME TO THE TABLE OF GRACE,
THIS IS GOD’S TABLE, IT’S NOT YOURS OR MINE,
COME TO THE TABLE OF GRACE.

COME TO THE TABLE OF LOVE,
COME TO THE TABLE OF LOVE,
THIS IS GOD’S TABLE, IT’S NOT YOURS OR MINE,
COME TO THE TABLE OF LOVE.

COME TO THE TABLE OF HOPE,
COME TO THE TABLE OF HOPE,
THIS IS GOD’S TABLE, IT’S NOT YOURS OR MINE,
COME TO THE TABLE OF HOPE.

COME TO THE TABLE OF JOY,
COME TO THE TABLE OF JOY,
THIS IS GOD’S TABLE, IT’S NOT YOURS OR MINE,
COME TO THE TABLE OF JOY.

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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-

“Restless Weaver”

RESTLESS WEAVER, EVER SPINNING
THREADS OF JUSTICE AND SHALOM;
DREAMING PATTERNS OF CREATION
WHERE ALL CREATURES FIND A HOME;
GATHERING UP LIFE’S VARIED FIBERS –

EVERY TEXTURE, EVERY HUE:
GRANT US YOUR CREATIVE VISION,
WITH US WEAVE YOUR WORLD ANEW.

WHERE EARTH'S FRAGILE WEB IS RAVELING,
HELP US MEND EACH BROKEN STRAND.
BLESS OUR URGENT, BOLD ENDEAVORS
CLEANSING WATER, AIR, AND LAND.
THROUGH THE SPIRIT'S INSPIRATION –
OFFERING HEALTH WHERE ONCE WAS PAIN –
STRENGTHEN US TO BE THE STEWARDS
OF YOUR WORLD KNIT WHOLE AGAIN.

WHEN OUR VIOLENT LUST FOR POWER
ENDS IN LIVES ABUSED AND TORN,
FROM COMPASSION'S STURDY FABRIC
FASHION HOPE AND TRUST REBORN.
WHERE INJUSTICE RULES AS TYRANT,
GIVE US COURAGE, GOD, TO DARE
LIVE OUR DREAMS OF TRANSFORMATION.
MAKE OUR LIVES INCARNATE PRAYER.

RESTLESS WEAVER, STILL CONCEIVING
NEW LIFE NOW AND YET TO BE –
BINDING ALL YOUR VAST CREATION
IN ONE LIVING TAPESTRY:
YOU HAVE CALLED US TO BE WEAVERS.
LET YOUR LOVE GUIDE ALL WE DO.
WITH YOUR REIGN OF PEACE OUR PATTERN,
WE WILL WEAVE YOUR WORLD ANEW.

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-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-

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-SINGING TOGETHER-

"We Are The Salt of the Earth"

WE ARE THE BLESS'D AND A PILGRIM PEOPLE,
BOUND FOR THE KIN-DOM OF GOD!
LOVE OUR JOURNEY AND LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS:
LOVE IS THE KIN-DOM OF GOD!

BRING FORTH THE KIN-DOM OF MERCY,
BRING FORTH THE KIN-DOM OF PEACE;
BRING FORTH THE KIN-DOM OF JUSTICE,
BRING FORTH THE CITY OF GOD!