



**August 11, 2024
Sunday Gathering**

-PRELUDE-

*"Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child" – arr. P. Keveren
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-

"All Are Welcome"

LET US BUILD A HOUSE WHERE LOVE CAN DWELL
AND ALL CAN SAFELY LIVE,
A PLACE WHERE SAINTS AND CHILDREN TELL
HOW HEARTS LEARN TO FORGIVE.
BUILT OF HOPES AND DREAMS AND VISIONS,
ROCK OF FAITH AND VAULT OF GRACE,
HERE THE LOVE OF CHRIST SHALL END DIVISIONS;
ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL ARE WELCOME,
ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE.

-WELCOME-

-GREETING EACH OTHER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"All Are Welcome"

LET US BUILD A HOUSE WHERE HANDS WILL REACH
BEYOND THE WOOD AND STONE
TO HEAL AND STRENGTHEN, SERVE AND TEACH,
AND LIVE THE LOVE THEY'VE KNOWN.
HERE THE OUTCAST AND THE STRANGER
BEAR THE IMAGE OF GOD'S FACE;
LET US BRING AN END TO FEAR AND DANGER:
ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL ARE WELCOME,
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-CALL TO WORSHIP-

God has called us;
WE HAVE BEEN CALLED TO USE OUR HANDS
IN DEEDS OF SERVICE TO OTHERS.

God has called us;
WE HAVE BEEN CALLED TO USE OUR FEET
TO WALK ALONGSIDE THOSE
WHO NEED COMFORT AND CARE.

God has called us;
WE HAVE BEEN CALLED TO USE OUR VOICES
TO DEFEND THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN
MISTREATED AND MISUNDERSTOOD.

God has called us.
WE HAVE BEEN CALLED.

-OPENING PRAYER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"In the Midst of New Dimensions"

IN THE MIDST OF NEW DIMENSIONS,
IN THE FACE OF CHANGING WAYS,
WHO WILL LEAD THE PILGRIM PEOPLES
WANDERING IN THEIR SEPARATE WAYS?

GOD OF RAINBOW, FIERY PILLAR,
LEADING WHERE THE EAGLES SOAR,
WE YOUR PEOPLE, OURS THE JOURNEY
NOW AND EVER, NOW AND EVER,
NOW AND EVERMORE.

THROUGH THE FLOOD OF STARVING PEOPLE,
WARRING FACTIONS AND DESPAIR,
WHO WILL LIFT THE OLIVE BRANCHES?
WHO WILL LIGHT THE FLAME OF CARE?

GOD OF RAINBOW, FIERY PILLAR,
LEADING WHERE THE EAGLES SOAR,
WE YOUR PEOPLE, OURS THE JOURNEY
NOW AND EVER, NOW AND EVER,
NOW AND EVERMORE.

AS WE STAND A WORLD DIVIDED
BY OUR OWN SELF-SEEKING SCHEMES,
GRANT THAT WE, YOUR GLOBAL VILLAGE,
MIGHT ENVISION WIDER DREAMS.

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-SCRIPTURE-

Galatians 6: 9-10 (CEV)

Let's not get tired of doing good, because in time we'll have a harvest if we don't give up. So then,
let's work for the good of all whenever we have an opportunity, and especially for those in the
household of faith.

-THE MESSAGE-

"It Ain't the Mountain"

Kenny Bishop

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Come to the 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 JOY.
COME TO THE TABLE OF JOY.

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

-SHARING AROUND THE TABLE-

-COMMUNION-

"God COMes to Us"

-OFFERING-

-THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE-

-ANNOUNCEMENTS-

-INVITATION TO RESPOND-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

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LET US BUILD A HOUSE WHERE ALL ARE NAMED,
THEIR SONGS AND VISIONS HEARD
AND LOVED AND TREASURED, TAUGHT AND CLAIMED
AS WORDS WITHIN THE WORD.

BUILT OF TEARS AND CRIES AND LAUGHTER,
PRAYERS OF FAITH AND SONGS OF GRACE,
LET THIS HOUSE PROCLAIM FROM FLOOR TO RAFTER:
ALL ARE WELCOME, ALL ARE WELCOME,
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-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

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