



February 11, 2024
Sunday Gathering

-PRELUDE-

“It Is Well With My Soul” – arr. P. Keveren
Brenda Gardiner & Skylar Morris

-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-

“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.

-WELCOME-

-GREETING EACH OTHER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

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-CALL TO WORSHIP-

In our worry and anxiety;
WE TRUST OUR GOD WHO GIVES US COURAGE.

As our world reels through seemingly constant turmoil;
WE FIND ASSURANCE IN GOD'S PROMISES.

When we struggle to know where to turn and where to look;
WE KNOW WE HAVE A GOD WHO CARES.

-OPENING PRAYER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Come, O Fount of Every Blessing"

COME, O FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING;
TUNE OUR HEARTS TO SING YOUR GRACE;
STREAMS OF MERCY, NEVER CEASING,
CALL FOR SONGS OF LOUDEST PRAISE.
TEACH US SOME MELODIOUS SONNET,
SUNG BY FLAMING TONGUES ABOVE;
PRAISE THE MOUNT! WE'RE FIXED UPON IT,
MOUNT OF GOD'S UNCHANGING LOVE!

HERE WE RAISE OUR HEARTS UP TO YOU;
IT IS BY YOUR HELP WE'VE COME;
YOU PROVIDE A LOVE WE FIND TRUE

AND THAT LOVE WILL BRING US HOME.
YOUR LOVE SOUGHT US WHEN A STRANGER,
WANDERING FROM YOUR LOVING FOLD;
EVEN IN A WORLD OF DANGER,
WE WOULD STILL YOUR LOVE BEHOLD.

COME, O FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING;
MAY OUR SINGING NEVER CEASE.
MAY WE ALWAYS LIFT OUR VOICES
SINGING MELODIES OF PEACE.
DRAW US EVER NEARER TO YOU
SO WE'LL KNOW WHERE 'ER IT'S OF.
MAY OUR SONG BE EVERMORE TRUE,
MAY IT BE BE OF YOUR GREAT LOVE.

-SCRIPTURE-

Isaiah 41: 10

*Don't be afraid, I am with you. Don't tremble with fear.
I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you.*

Psalm 23: 4

*Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and staff comfort me.*

2 Timothy 1:7

God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a sound mind.

Matthew 14: 27

Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid."

-THE MESSAGE-

"Coming Soon"

Kenny Bishop

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"For Everyone Born"

FOR EVERYONE BORN,
A PLACE AT THE TABLE,
FOR EVERYONE BORN,
CLEAN WATER AND BREAD,
A SHELTER, A SPACE,
A SAFE PLACE FOR GROWING,
FOR EVERYONE BORN,
A STAR OVERHEAD,

AND GOD WILL DELIGHT
WHEN WE ARE CREATOR OF JUSTICE
AND JOY, COMPASSION AND PEACE:
YES, GOD WILL DELIGHT
WHEN WE ARE CREATORS OF JUSTICE,
JUSTICE AND JOY!

-SHARING AROUND THE TABLE-

-COMMUNION-

"Come, Holy Spirit" – Gaither

-OFFERING-

"Here I Am, Lord" – arr. S. Wilson

-THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE-

-ANNOUNCEMENTS-

-INVITATION TO RESPOND-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

AMAZING GRACE! HOW SWEET THE SOUND
THAT SAVED A WRETCH LIKE ME!
I ONCE WAS LOST, BUT NOW I'M FOUND;
WAS BLIND, BUT NOW I SEE.

'T WAS GRACE THAT TAUGHT MY HEART TO FEAR;
AND GRACE MY FEARS RELIEVED.
HOW PRECIOUS DID THAT GRACE APPEAR
THE HOUR I FIRST BELIEVED.

MY CHAINS ARE GONE,
I'VE BEEN SET FREE.
MY GOD, MY SAVIOR
HAS RESCUED ME.
AND LIKE A FLOOD
GOD'S MERCY REIGNS,
UNENDING LOVE,
AMAZING GRACE.

THE LORD HAS PROMISED GOOD TO ME;
HIS WORD MY HOPE SECURES.

HE WILL MY SHIELD AND PORTION BE
AS LONG AS LIFE ENDURES.

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THE EARTH SHALL SOON DISSOLVE LIKE SNOW,
THE SUN FORBEAR TO SHINE.
BUT GOD WHO LOVED ME HERE BELOW,
WILL BE FOREVER MINE,
WILL BE FOREVER MINE,
YOU ARE FOREVER MINE.

-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

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