



**June 16, 2024**  
**Sunday Gathering**

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**-PRELUDE-**

*"Shall We Gather at the River" – arr. P. Hamm  
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-**

*"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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**-RECOGNIZING WEAR ORANGE TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE-**

**-CALL TO WORSHIP-**

We are here, O God;  
WE ARE LISTENING WITH EAGER EARS.

We are here, O God;  
WE ARE TRUSTING WITH HUNGRY HEARTS.

We are here, O God;  
WE ARE SINGING WITH HAPPY VOICES.

We are here, O God;  
WE ARE BELIEVING WITH READY FAITH.

**-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-**

Exodus 3: 7a, 9-14

*Then the Lord said "...Now the Israelites' cries of injustice have reached me. I've seen just how much the Egyptians have oppressed them. So get going. I'm sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."*

*But Moses said to God, "Who am I to go to Pharaoh and to bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"*

*God said, "I'll be with you. And this will show you that I'm the one who sent you. After you bring the people out of Egypt, you will come back here and worship God on this mountain."*

*But Moses said to God, "If I now come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' they are going to ask me, 'What's this God's name?' What am I supposed to say to them?"*

*God said to Moses, "I Am Who I Am. So say to the Israelites, 'I Am has sent me to you.'"*

**-THE MESSAGE-**

"It's Just a Title"  
Kenny Bishop

**-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.

**-SHARING AROUND THE TABLE-**

**-COMMUNION-**

*"Here I Am, Lord"* – arr. S. Wilson

**-OFFERING-**

*"Faith of Our Fathers"* – arr. P. Hamm

**-THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE-**

**-ANNOUNCEMENTS-**

**-INVITATION TO RESPOND-**

**-SINGING TOGETHER-**

*"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"*

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING  
MY GREAT REDEEMER'S PRAISE,  
THE GLORIES OF MY GOD ABOVE;  
THE TRIUMPHS OF GOD'S GRACE.

MY GRACIOUS MAKER AND MY GOD,  
ASSIST ME TO PROCLAIM  
TO SPREAD THROUGH ALL THE EARTH ABROAD  
THE HONORS OF YOUR NAME,  
THE HONORS OF YOUR NAME.

JESUS! THE NAME THAT CHARMS OUR FEARS,  
THAT BIDS OUR SORROW CEASE;  
'TIS MUSIC IN THE SINNER'S EARS,  
'TIS LIFE AND HEALTH AND PEACE,  
'TIS LIFE AND HEALTH AND PEACE.

HE SPEAKS, AND LISTENING TO HIS VOICE,  
NEW LIFE THE DEAD RECEIVE,  
THE MOURNFUL BROKEN HEARTS REJOICE,  
THE HUMBLE POOR BELIEVE,  
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**-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-**

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