



**March 1, 2026**  
**Sunday Gathering**  
**The Second Sunday of Lent**

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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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**-PRELUDE-**

*"Christ, We Adore and Worship You" - T. Dubois*

Brenda Gardiner

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**-WELCOME-**

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**-SINGING TOGETHER-**

*"Wilderness Wandering People"*

WE ARE A WILDERNESS WANDERING PEOPLE  
ON A JOURNEY OF THE SOUL.  
MAY WE FIND OUR DESTINATION  
IN OUR LONGING TO BE WHOLE.  
OUR HOLY GOD IS CALLING TO US.  
WITH JESUS BY OUR SIDE  
MAY COMPASSION BE OUR COMPASS;  
MAY THE SPIRIT BE OUR GUIDE.

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**-OPENING PRAYER-**

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**-SINGING TOGETHER-**

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**-CALL TO WORSHIP-**

I'm going on a journey  
TO FIND MY TRUEST SELF,

to take the things that weigh me down  
AND PUT THEM ON THE SHELF.

I'm going on a journey  
TO LAUGH, AND LEARN, AND PRAY.

I'm going on a journey  
AND LOVE WILL LEAD THE WAY.

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**-GREETING ONE ANOTHER-**

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**-SINGING TOGETHER-**

*“I Want Jesus to Walk With Me”*

I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME.  
I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME.  
ALL ALONG MY PILGRIM JOURNEY,  
O, I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME.

IN MY TRIALS, LORD, WALK WITH ME.  
IN MY TRIALS, LORD, WALK WITH ME.  
WHEN MY HEART IS ALMOST BREAKING,  
O, I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME.

WHEN I'M IN TROUBLE, LORD, WALK WITH ME.  
WHEN I'M IN TROUBLE, LORD, WALK WITH ME.  
WHEN MY HEAD IS BOWED IN SORROW,  
O, I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME.

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**-SCRIPTURE-**

Luke 5:27-32 (MSG)

*After this he went out and saw a man named Levi at his work collecting taxes. Jesus said, “Come along with me.” And he did—walked away from everything and went with him. Levi gave a large*

*dinner at his home for Jesus. Everybody was there, tax men and other disreputable characters as guests at the dinner.*

*The Pharisees and their religion scholars came to his disciples greatly offended. "What is he doing eating and drinking with misfits and 'sinners'?" Jesus heard about it and spoke up, "Who needs a doctor: the healthy or the sick? I'm here inviting outsiders, not insiders—an invitation to a changed life, changed inside and out."*

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**-THE MESSAGE-**

*"The High Way"*

Pam Lee-Miller

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**-SINGING TOGETHER-**

*"God Comes to Us"*

GOD COMES TO US ON WINTER NIGHT,  
IN BABY'S BREATH, BY FIRELIGHT,  
GOD COMES TO US ON A STAR.  
GOD COMES TO US AMIDST OUR FEARS,  
UNSPOKEN JOYS, UNENDING TEARS,  
GOD COMES TO US WHERE WE ARE.

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**-SHARNG JOYS & CONCERNS-**

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**-PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE-**

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**-SINGING TOGETHER-**

*"As We Gather At Your Table"*

AS WE GATHER AT YOUR TABLE,  
AS WE LISTEN TO YOUR WORD,  
HELP US KNOW, O GOD, YOUR PRESENCE;  
LET OUR HEARTS AND MINDS BE STIRRED.  
NOURISH US WITH SACRED STORY  
TILL WE CLAIM IT AS OUR OWN;  
TEACH US THROUGH THIS HOLY BANQUET  
HOW TO MAKE LOVE'S VICTORY KNOWN.

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**-INVITATION TO COMMUNION-**

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**-COMMUNION MEDITATION-**

*"God So Loved the World" J. Stainer*

Brenda Gardiner

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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-**

*"They'll Know We Are Christians"*

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,  
YES, 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,  
YES, 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;  
AND WE'LL GUARD EACH MAN'S DIGNITY  
AND SAVE EACH MAN'S PRIDE.

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

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**-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-**

We will follow on The Way.  
WE WILL FOLLOW ON THE WAY.  
The Creator God fills us with breath  
inviting us to this journey called Life.  
WE WILL FOLLOW ON THE WAY.

Jesus, our Guide, shows us what it means  
to make a new way with Love.  
WE WILL FOLLOW ON THE WAY.

The Spirit gives us strength to move forward  
with courage and compassion for all we meet.  
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