



August 3, 2025
Sunday Gathering

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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.

-PRELUDE-

"Open the Eyes of My Heart" - arr. P. Keveren
Brenda Gardiner

-WELCOME-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Open My Eyes That I May See"
OPEN MY EYES THAT I MAY SEE
GLIMPSES OF TRUTH YOU HAVE FOR ME.
PLACE IN MY HANDS THE WONDERFUL KEY
THAT SHALL UNCLASP AND SET ME FREE.

SILENTLY NOW I WAIT FOR YOU,
READY, MY GOD, YOUR WILL TO DO.
OPEN MY EYES, ILLUMINE ME,
SPIRIT DIVINE!

-BEING PURVEYORS OF AWE-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART, LORD.
OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART.
I WANT TO SEE YOU,
I WANT TO SEE YOU.

-OPENING DEVOTION-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Open My Eyes That I May See"
SILENTLY NOW I WAIT FOR YOU,
READY, MY GOD, YOUR WILL TO DO.
OPEN MY EYES, ILLUMINE ME,
SPIRIT DIVINE!

-COMMUNITY PRAYER-

Awe-inspiring God,
we come together this day
because we need to be reminded
to see through the lens of self-giving.
Too often, we think that life will be better
if we just "get" more.
OPEN US TO PERCEIVE ANEW.
INSPIRE US TO RECEIVE
THE OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE WITH AWE.
Forgive us when we turn our backs on parades of justice,
paths of grace, roads of mercy.
BE WITH US ON THIS JOURNEY
AS WE SEEK AGAIN TO MARVEL AT YOUR WORKS.
TOGETHER WE SAY
AMEN.

-GREETING ONE ANOTHER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates"
LIFT UP YOUR HEADS, OH MIGHTY GATES;
BEHOLD, THE GOD OF GLORY WAITS;
THE GOD WHO LOVES US IS DRAWING NEAR;
THE SAVIOR OF THE WORLD IS HERE!

FLING WIDE THE PORTALS OF YOUR HEART;
MAKE IT A TEMPLE, SET APART
FROM EARTHLY USE FOR HEAVEN'S EMPLOY,
ADORNED WITH PRAYER AND LOVE AND JOY.

REDEEMER, COME, WITH US ABIDE;
OUR HEARTS TO YOU WE OPEN WIDE;
LET US YOUR INNER PRESENCE FEEL;
YOUR GRACE AND LOVE IN US REVEAL.

YOUR HOLY SPIRIT LEAD US ON
UNTIL OUR GLORIOUS GOAL IS WON;
ETERNAL PRAISE, ETERNAL FAME
BE OFFERED, SAVIOR, TO YOUR NAME!

-SCRIPTURE-

An excerpt from Psalm 118

Alleluia!

This is the day YHWH has made—let us celebrate with joy!

Please, YHWH, please save us!

Please, YHWH, give us prosperity now!

Blessings on the one who comes in the name of YHWH!

we bless you from YHWH's temple!

YHWH is God and God has enlightened us.

Join the festal procession! with palm fronds in hand, go up to the horns of the altar!

-CHILDREN'S MOMENT-

-THE MESSAGE-

"Self-Giving"

Pam Lee-Miller

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Great and Awesome God"

YOU ARE A GREAT AND AWESOME GOD.
YOUR WONDERS WE PROCLAIM.
YOU ARE OUR ROCK, OUR STRENGTH, OUR SHIELD,
FROM AGE TO AGE THE SAME.
YOU FORGIVE US ALL OUR SINS.
YOU TRANSFORM US WITH YOUR LOVE.
WITH JOYFUL, GRATEFUL HEARTS WE SING.
YOU ARE A GREAT AND AWESOME GOD!

-JOYS & CONCERNS-

-PASTORAL PRAYER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Great and Awesome God"

YOU HEAR US WHEN WE PRAY.
YOU RECEIVE US WITH YOUR LOVE.
WITH JOYFUL, GRATEFUL HEARTS WE SING.
YOU ARE A GREAT AND AWESOME GOD!

-INVITATION TO COMMUNION-

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

-IN GRATITUDE-

-OFFERING-

-ANNOUNCEMENTS-

-INVITATION TO RESPOND-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Take My Life and Let it Be"

TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE
CONSECRATED, LORD, TO THEE.
TAKE MY MOMENTS AND MY DAYS;
LET THEM FLOW IN ENDLESS PRAISE,
LET THEM FLOW IN ENDLESS PRAISE.

TAKE MY HANDS AND LET THEM MOVE
AT THE IMPULSE OF THY LOVE.
TAKE MY FEET AND LET THEM BE
SWIFT AND BEAUTIFUL FOR THEE,
SWIFT AND BEAUTIFUL FOR THEE.

TAKE MY SILVER AND MY GOLD;
NOT A MITE WOULD I WITHHOLD.

TAKE MY INTELLECT AND USE
EVERY POWER AS THOU SHALT CHOOSE,
EVERY POWER AS THOU SHALT CHOOSE.

TAKE MY WILL AND MAKE IT THINE;
IT SHALL BE NO LONGER MINE.
TAKE MY HEART IT IS THINE OWN;
IT SHALL BE THY ROYAL THRONE,
IT SHALL BE THY ROYAL THRONE.

TAKE MY LOVE; MY LORD, I POUR
AT THY FEET ITS TREASURE STORE.

TAKE MYSELF, AND I WILL BE
EVER, ONLY, ALL FOR THEE,
EVER, ONLY, ALL FOR THEE.

-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

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