



May 18, 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, Lord" – 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 A PURVEYOR OF AWE-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord"

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

-OPENING PRAYER-

-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 AWE.
WE OFTEN FEEL HELPLESS WHEN FACED WITH OUR CIRCUMSTANCES,
ESPECIALLY AT THIS MOMENT IN TIME.
OPEN US TO PERCEIVE ANEW.
INSPIRE US TO RECEIVE OUR SURROUNDINGS WITH AWE.
FORGIVE US WHEN WE MOVE THROUGH OUR LIVES
FORGETTING THAT OUR HEARTS CAN BE BUOYED BY YOUR PRESENCE.
BE WITH US ON THIS JOURNEY
AS WE SEEK AGAIN TO MARVEL AT YOUR WORKS.

-GREETING ONE ANOTHER-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise"
IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE,
IN LIGHT INACCESSIBLE HID FROM OUR EYES,
MOST BLESSED, MOST GLORIOUS, THE ANCIENT OF DAYS,
ALMIGHTY, VICTORIOUS, YOUR GREAT NAME WE PRAISE.

UNRESTING, UNHASTING, AND SILENT AS LIGHT,
NOR WANTING, NOR WASTING, YOU RULE THROUGH THE NIGHT;
YOUR JUSTICE LIKE MOUNTAINS HIGH SOARING ABOVE
YOUR CLOUDS, WHICH ARE FOUNTAINS OF GOODNESS AND LOVE.

TO ALL LIFE YOU GIVE, TO BOTH THE GREAT AND SMALL;
IN ALL LIFE YOU LIVE IN THE TRUE LIFE OF ALL;

WE BLOSSOM AND FLOURISH AS LEAVES ON THE TREE,
AND WITHER AND PERISH BUT YOU ALWAYS SEE.

GREAT GOD OF OUR GLORY, THE GIVER OF LIGHT,
YOUR ANGELS ADORE YOU, ALIVE IN YOUR SIGHT;
WE OFFER OUR THANKS AS YOU WATCH FROM ABOVE,
WE BRING YOU OUR MOMENTS AND TRUST YOUR GREAT LOVE.

-SCRIPTURE-

Job 33 (excerpt)

*I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house; I will bow down toward your
holy temple in awe of you.*

-CHILDREN'S MOMENT-

-THE MESSAGE-

"Awe"

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!

-SHARING 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,
COME TO THE TABLE OF JOY,
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-

"We Sing the Mighty Power of God"

WE SING THE MIGHTY POWER OF GOD
THAT MADE THE MOUNTAINS RISE,
THAT SPREAD THE FLOWING SEAS ABROAD
AND BUILT THE LOFTY SKIES.

WE SING THE WISDOM THAT ORDAINED
THE SUN TO RULE THE DAY;
THE MOON SHINES FULL AT GOD'S COMMAND,
AND ALL THE STARS OBEY.

WE SING THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD
THAT FILLED THE EARTH WITH FOOD;
THE CREATURES FORMED FROM GOD'S OWN WORD
AND THEN PRONOUNCED THEM GOOD.
LORD, HOW YOUR WONDERS ARE DISPLAYED,

WHERE'ER WE TURN OUR EYES,
IF WE SURVEY THE GROUND WE TREAD
OR GAZE UPON THE SKIES.

THERE'S NOT A PLANT OR FLOWER BELOW
BUT MAKES YOUR GLORIES KNOWN,
AND CLOUDS ARISE AND TEMPESTS BLOW
BY ORDER FROM YOUR THRONE;
WHILE ALL THAT BORROWS LIFE FROM YOU
IS EVER IN YOUR CARE,
AND EVERYWHERE THAT WE CAN BE,
YOU, GOD, ARE PRESENT THERE.

-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord"

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OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART.

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I WANT TO SEE YOU.