GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT

Music for Meditation

Gathering Song

 □ Gather us in, ground us in you,

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 Gather us in,
 ground us in you. ~ MV 7 ~

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we are occupying unceded land of the Strait Salish, lekwenen speaking people who have been sustained in body, mind and spirit through their relationship with this land for thousands of years.

I am grateful to be part of a congregation that is hearing the call to continue learning of our colonial history and the on-going impacts of our privilege, and taking up the challenging and healing work toward reconciliation.

Lighting the Christ Candle ~ Owen McCooey

Opening Prayer

We long to live in the fullness of your love. A love so vast and deep, so far beyond our imagining.

Teach us, we pray, to make room for your all-loving held within the trust of our not-knowing.

That our hearts may be filled with the sweet power of your divine affection and we may love as freely as you love us.

Opening Hymn

Hymn: VU 374 Come and Find the Quiet Center

Sharing the Peace of Christ

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

J I know your word,
your word is a lamp to my feet, O God.
I know your Word,
your Word is a lamp to my feet, O God.
I know your Word is a lamp,
O God, to light my path forever.
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O God, to light my path forever.

~ MV 108 ~

Scripture Reading: John 6: 24-35 ; Ephesians 3: 16-21 ~ Sarah Hovey

Reflection - "I Believe in You" ~ Colleen Nichol

RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Hymn: MV 82 Bathe Me in Your Light

Prayers of the People ~ Cheryl Macpherson

Lord's Prayer:

Our Father/Mother in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kin-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kin-dom, the power and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen ~adapted from NZ Prayer Book~

Offering Ourselves with our Gifts

I I What can I do, what can I bring?
What can I say, what can I sing?
I'll sing with joy, I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love, I'll do my share. ~MV 191~

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn: VU 639 One More Step Along the World I Go

Commissioning and Blessing

Sung Response II In God we live and move, In God we have our being, In God we shall remain, In God is our abiding.

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