

Gathering Song: VU 245 Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet

Announcements

Welcome:

... As those who follow Jesus' path of peace,

All: we commit ourselves to upholding the Treaties of Peace and Friendship so that we will live in a good way with all peoples, with the lands, the waters, and all of Creation, for we are all treaty people.

One: We light the Affirmation Candle (*Elder lights Affirmation candle*) as a celebration of all the wonderful diversity in which God creates us and calls us good! In this community of faith, we celebrate that all are welcome in this place.

All: All are welcome by God's grace.

Call to Worship:

One: For the moments when, alone in the world, we feel connection with all that is,

All: We give thanks for the gifts of God!

One: For the times when we come together and feel our hearts blend as one family in worship:

All: We give thanks for the gifts of God!

One: For the strength to reach out and touch those in need with actions that speak of God's love:

All: We give thanks for the gifts of God!

One: For the courage to proclaim and witness the love of God in the world, in word and deed:

All: We give thanks for the gifts of God!

One: In thanksgiving and with assurance that God is with us in all times and places,

All: We give thanks for the gifts of God!

Opening Prayer

All: Gracious God, for all the blessings in this world, we give you thanks! For life and health, for memory and hope, for the ordinary and the extraordinary. When we have been graced by these blessings, may we remember that they are yours, and help us to share them with others. And when we need these blessings, give us the strength to ask for help, and open the hearts of others to respond in your name. All of this, we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn: VU 220 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Celebration Time

Prayer of Illumination

Prayer of Illumination: Life-changing God, as we prepare to hear and tell your sacred stories once more this day, may you open our minds to perceive new insights, open our hearts to be touched by your love, and open our lives to become the people Christ is calling us to be. Amen.

Scripture:

Luke 12:13-21 - offered by Pat Nursey
Words of God that are still speaking.
Thanks be to God!

Reflection:

Ministry of Music: Beyond the Beauty and the Awe (*as found at MV80*)

Offering Invitation

****Offertory Response**- MV 191 What Can I Do?

**** Offering Dedication:**

All: Loving God, we offer these gifts up to your blessing, as you have blessed our lives abundantly. May we live generously as your people in all we say and do and be. In Jesus' name, we pray this. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: VU 506 Take My Life and Let It Be

****Blessing:**

****Parting Song** Go Now in Peace