

# Still Discerning...



August 11, 2019

# Gathering of Spirits—Word and Song

## Gathering Music and Prelude

Shared by Arion Tanabe, piano

## Welcome and Announcements

Led by Abeth Spencer

## Singing Our Faith

Please stand if comfortably able.

## There is Room for All

(Sing two times)

There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing;  
There is room for all sheltered in God's love.  
And I rejoice and sing,  
"My refuge and my rock in whom I trust."  
There is room for all  
There is room for all.

## Call to Worship and Passing the Peace

Led by Nanci Campbell ~ Please stand if you're comfortably able.

One: Life sets before us many choices: blessings and curses, life and death.

**All: Discernment is the way we choose our path!**

One: May our work together and our shared values help us choose wisely and lovingly.

**All: As we greet one another, may our hearts swell with gratitude for the gift of community.**

One: Let us greet each other as a sign of God's peace.

# Sharing of Spirits – Giving and Celebrating

## **Celebrations**

Led by Abeth Spencer

This is our time to share the celebrations of our lives: birthdays, anniversaries, words of kindness and works of peace and justice.

Celebrate your heart and your spirit,  
Celebrate your life while you live it.  
Even when it's hard to do,  
Celebrate the best of you.

Celebrate your dreams and your visions,  
Celebrate the love you've been given.  
Cherish all that you've been through,  
Celebrate the best of you.



## Prayers of the Community

Offered by Karen Richter

## Offerings and Offertory

Shared by Dave Robinson, guitar



## Dedication of Our Offerings

Led by Nanci Campbell

**One:** Our gifts are hardworking! By giving, we repair the world and bring wholeness and blessing to our own households. All gifts are expressions of the good spirit of generosity and caring.

**All:** **May our gifts today and our service this coming week be used to build a foundation of inclusion, justice and spirituality. Amen.**

## Feeding of Spirits with the Word About Life

### Word About Life

Shared by Karen Richter

Hebrews 11: 1-3

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

Luke 12: 32-40

“Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Abba God’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

“Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for the homeowner to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door without delay. Blessed are those serving in the house whom the homeowner finds alert; truly I tell you, the owner will fasten an apron and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them. If the householder comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, it will go well for them.

“But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, the house would never be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Promised One—the Human One—is coming at an unexpected hour.”

## **The Word About Life for Today**

Shared by Karen Richter

# Parting of Spirits and Loving the World

## Words For Mission

Led by Nanci Campbell

One: The time has come for us to leave this sacred place and venture forth, with love in our hearts and peace in every step.

**All: We leave knowing that every place is sacred, and every person we encounter is an expression of the Spirit of Life.**

One: These are the times.

**All: We are the people.**

One: All of Creation is blessed!

**All: May we love all and serve all!**

One: God be with you

**All: And also with you.**

One: Amen

**All: Amen!**

## Sending Forth Song

## Trees of the Field

Traditional

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;  
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you.  
There'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field  
will clap, will clap their hands.

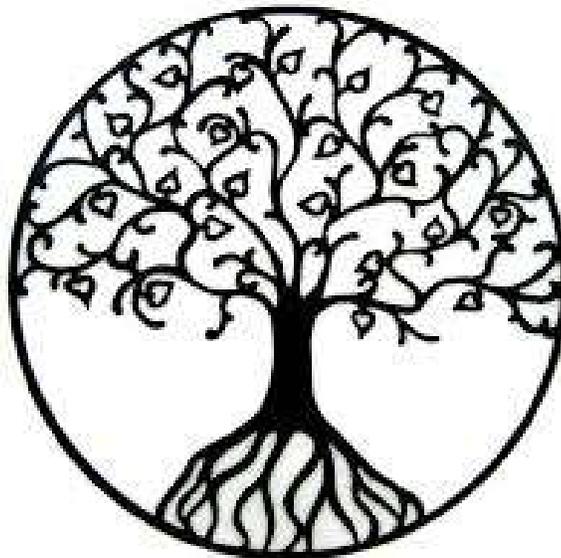
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands, (*clap clap*)

The trees of the field will clap their hands, (*clap clap*)

The trees of the field will clap their hands (*clap clap*)

While you go out with joy.

(Repeat faster)



# Church Staff and Worship Teams

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