



Blessed Are Those Who Mourn ...



Still Discerning!

Sept. 8, 2019

# Gathering of Spirits – Word and Song

Welcome  
Home

## **Gathering Music and Prelude**

The Living Years

Shared by Our Great  
Band

## **Welcome and Announcements**

Shared by Rev. Ken  
Heintzelman

## **Threshold Choir Call to Worship**

*Let me leave behind all that keeps me from being in this  
moment.*

*In this time and place, be all I need to be.*

*Let me be in this moment, so I can clearly see  
What this moment is asking of me.*

## **Welcome and Invitation to Sing**

Shared by Mike Gattorna

A warm welcome is extended to all, especially those who may be joining us for a first time. Each of us enriches this gathering and contributes to the creative evolution of our community. Thanks for the gift of you! Let us sing!

## **Singing Our Faith**

Here All Belong

Truth be told, we're not alone:  
we have built ourselves a home;  
built it large, and built it free—  
love is our goal.

We, a home for anyone,  
creed or custom, barring none.

This, a place where love can grow—here all belong.

### **Refrain:**

**May we find here, what we're seeking.**

**May we share the strength to carry on.**

**May the love here do the healing,**

**Lift our hearts, and make us all as one.**

Truth be told, we cannot be  
whole without diversity,  
many different voices raised  
create the song.

Whether brown or black or white,  
all together, we are light;  
any-gendered, any-loved—here all belong.

### **Refrain:**

## **Call to Worship and Passing the Peace**

Led by Mike Gattorna ~ 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,

## **Prayers of the Community**

Offered by Troy Jarvis

## **Invitation to Share**

Led by Mike Gattorna

Our offerings for the celebration of life in this place and beyond, for the furthering of justice, inclusion, and spirituality, shall now be received.

## **Offerings and Offertory**

Shared by Dave Robinson, guitar

We Shall Be Known

## **Feeding of Spirits with the Word About Life**

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

Shared by Rev. Ken Heintzelman

Anywhere I Am

Gently, I Go

Nothing Can Shake My Love



# The Parting of Spirits and Loving the World

## **Words for Mission** by Rev. Ken Heintzelman

One: Eternal Light, shine in our hearts.

Eternal Power, be our strength.

Eternal Wisdom, guide us as we serve you and the world.

Eternal Goodness, you have drawn us to your heart and united us in this fellowship called Shadow Rock.

**All: Now grant that with all our hearts, and mind, and strength,**

**We all may evermore be sensitive and responsive to your current work in the midst of our history.**

One: And finally, by your infinite Spirit of Life and Love, grant us wisdom as we seek to perceive and respond to Your will for our spiritual home and our future together.

**All: Help us to keep the needs of every member and of the greater community in our minds and hearts through every step of our discernment process.**

One: In the spirit of the core values of inclusion, justice, and spirituality we pray. These are the times!

**All: We are the people.**

One: All 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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## **Karen Richter**

*Director of Spiritual Formation*

## **Abeth Spencer**

*Director of Communications*

## **Heidi Zinn**

*Financial Officer and Technology*

## **Liz Helm**

*Wedding Ceremony Director*

## **Bill Peterson**

*Facility and Campus Care Volunteer*

## **Rev. Liana Rowe**

*Campus Partner Chaplain*

## **Lois Beberniss**

*Director of Campus Affairs  
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## **Rev. Ken Heintzleman**

*Senior Minister*

## **Dr. William O. Smith**

*Founding Minister*

## **Forrest Bachtel**

*Choir Director*

## **Julie Tuttle**

*Accompanist*

## **Our Great Band**

Joe Garcia, Percussion

Dave Robinson, Guitar

John Willis, Bass Guitar

Travis Meyers, Keytar

## **Ushers**

Peter Johnston, Greg Rampley,

Roy Zaborowski, Peg Hesley,

Joe Botticelli, Tim Mikkelsen,

Chuck Bonstelle, Michael Curry

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