

## GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT

Music for Meditation

Gathering song

♪♪ God whose love flows like a river~

**Shower your Spirit upon us all**

God whose grace pours down like summer rain

**Shower your Spirit upon us all.**

God whose justice calls like crashing thunder,

**Make your ever presence known to us.**

**Hear our prayer, Oh hear our prayer.**

**Shower your Spirit upon us all.**

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement

**We acknowledge that we are occupying unceded land of the Strait Salish, lək'wəŋən 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 - André Fontaine

Opening Prayer

**O great and Holy One,**

**We come to you still breathing in the untameable wonder of Pentecost, still and ever opening ourselves to the wild windswept breath of your Spirit. Continue to release in us the power of your Spirit, that our souls may be free, our spirits strong and our hearts attuned to the yearnings and new birthings**

**you sow deep within our beings. In the strong name of the risen Christ we pray, AMEN**

♪♪ Hymn VU 380 She Comes Sailing on the Wind

Sharing the Peace of Christ

## SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

♪♪ Open our hearts, open our minds.

Open our lives to you, O loving Gov.

Open our hearts.

Scripture: John 3: 1-17 - Reader Marg Lunam

Reflection: Rev. Min-Goo Kang

♪♪ Hymn: VU 698 With the Wings of Our Mind

## RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Prayers of the People ~ Sarah Hovey

♪♪ O God, we call, ~ VU 411 ~

**O God we call.**

**From deep inside we yearn,**

**From deep inside we yearn,**

**From deep inside we yearn for you.**

Lord's Prayer

**Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and that shall be, Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven: The hallowing of your name echo through the universe! The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world! Your heavenly will be done by all created beings! Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope**

**and come on earth. With the bread we need for today,  
feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive  
us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From  
trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all  
that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the  
power that is love, now and for ever. Amen**

Offering Ourselves with our Gifts

♪♪ **Spirit of Life, come unto me.  
Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.  
Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;  
move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.  
Roots hold me close; wings set me free;  
Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.  
~ VU 381 ~**

The Work of the People

**GOING OUT TO SERVE  
Hymn VU 388 Spirit Dancing on the Water**

Commissioning and Blessing — Rev. Min-Goo Kang

Response ~ MV 156~

♪♪ **Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin',  
walk with the Spirit throughout the long day.  
Work and hope for the new life a-born-in',  
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.**

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on the journey inward  
and the journey outward*

**Trinity Sunday**

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