

## GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT

Music for Meditation

Welcome & Introduction ~ Sarah Hovey

Territorial Acknowledgement

**We acknowledge that we are occupying unceded land of the Strait Salish, ləkʷəŋən 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 of the Christ Candle - Mahima Sylvester

♪ **Jesus your light is shining within us,  
let not my doubts and darkness speak to me.  
Jesus your light is shining within us,  
let my heart always welcome your love.**

Opening Prayer - Psalm 98 ~ Owen McCooley

O sing to the Beloved a new song,  
for Love has done marvelous things.  
**By the strength of your Indwelling Presence,  
we, too, are called to do great things.**

♪ *Sing to God with joyful hearts,  
Praise God's Love for evermore,  
praise God's Love for evermore.*

We are set free through Love's forgiveness and truth.  
**Yes, your steadfast Love and faithfulness  
are ever-present gifts in our lives.**

♪ *Sing to God with joyful hearts,  
Praise God's love for evermore,  
praise God's love for evermore.*

**All the ends of the earth have seen the glory  
of Love's Eternal Flame**

♪ *Sing to God with joyful hearts,  
Praise God's Love for evermore,  
praise God's Love for evermore.*

## SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Scripture: 2 Cor 1:18-20. ~ Janice Langley

Meditation: Cheryl Macpherson  
SILENCE - 7 minutes

♪

*Call:* Flower of compassion

**Response:** Bloom within, bloom within, bloom within  
each heart

*Call:* Blossom of Love, you

**Response:** draw us close, draw us close, draw us  
close together

♪ **Come and fill our hearts with your love,  
You the source of light are holy,  
Come and fill our hearts with your love,  
Alleluia!**

## RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Prayers of the People - Cheryl Macpherson

SILENCE ... SUNG REFRAIN

♪ **O God hear my prayer, O God hear my prayer:  
when I call answer me,  
O God hear my prayer, O God hear my prayer:  
come and listen to me.**

Lord's Prayer - Sung call & response

## GOING OUT TO SERVE

Commissioning and Blessing

♪ **Let us O God depart in peace,  
who in your name are gathered here.**

**Disclose the brightness of your face,  
and be forever near.**

~VU 961~

♪ **Go now in peace,  
go now in peace.  
May the love of God surround you,  
everywhere, everywhere you may go.**

~VU 964 ~

## James Bay United Church

*Following in the way of Jesus  
on the journey inward  
and the journey outward*

**Worship in the Style of Taizé**

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