

Gladwin Heights United Church

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The Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 22nd, 2026

TAKING A BREATHER

++ Please rise in body or spirit

MV = More Voices; VU = Voices United;

TLUS = Then Let Us Sing

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING:

God be with you.

And also with you.

SLOWING IT DOWN

CENTRING: *[Sung]*

**Come and find the quiet centre
in the crowded lives we lead.**

**Find the room for hope to enter,
find the frame where we are freed:**

**Clear the chaos and the clutter,
clear our eyes that we may see
All the things that really matter,
be at peace, and simply be...**

CATCHING OUR BREATH

PRAYER FOR CLEARING OUT

Creator God, we push and push until we are exhausted.

Let us make room for you.

Release us from the illusion of the control of time and our fear of its passage.

Let us *find* room for you.

Help us clear out the incessant drive to always produce.

Let us *be* room for you.

In the name of Jesus, who invites us into wholeness.

Amen.

TERRITORY ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

We worship on the unceded territory of the Halq'eméylem-speaking peoples.

CANDLE LIGHTING:

++HYMN: “Turn, Turn, Turn”

++PASSING THE PEACE:

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

TAKING NOTE

MUSIC “With You, O Lord” – Songs from Taizé 31

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

RECONNECTING (SCRIPTURE): **Reader: Florine Lint**

Ecclesiastes 3:1-13

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

FOCUSING ON THE MAIN THING (SERMON)

HYMN: VU 581 – “When We Are Living”

TAKING CARE

TIME OUT (MEDITATION)

CENTRING: *[sung]*

**Silence is a friend who claims us,
cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us,
knows our being, face to face**

**Making space within our thinking,
lifting shades to show the sun,
Raising courage when we're shrinking,
finding scope for faith begun.**

PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *[sung]* "Abana in Heaven"

NOTICING WHAT'S IMPORTANT (OFFERING)

Let us present our offering to the work of God.

++OFFERTORY: *[sung]*

**For time to savour God's good gifts
For space to breath and hearts to lift
For ways to reach out and give
We offer thanks and vow to live!**

TAKING IT OUT

++HYMN: VU 703- "In the Bulb There is a Flower"

BLESSING

EXTROIT: *[sung]*

**In the Spirit let us travel,
open to each other's pain,
Let our loves and fears unravel,
celebrate the space we gain:**

**There's a place for deepest dreaming,
there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming
there is always room to spare.**

END OF WORSHIP

BEGINNING OF SERVICE IN THE COMMUNITY



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