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## GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT

Gathering Song: ~ TLUS 64 ~

♪ **There's a wild hope in the wind:  
Her whisper is heard on the breeze.  
The gale is her shout that is calling us out.  
There's a wild hope in the wind.**

**O God in the wind, come gather us in,  
Be our courage and promise.  
The light can feel dim,  
but we want to live into a wild, wild hope.**

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement

**The Kosapsum and Songhees moved, traded, and  
recognized the sacred on the same land where we now  
gather long before Jesus walked the earth. We work and  
pray for a future that is fairer than the past, which  
ultimately includes a vision of Indigenous and  
non-Indigenous dwelling in reconciliation.**

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening Prayer

**God of love, source of all goodness, we give thanks for  
all life. We give thanks for the freedom to love and be  
loved. We give thanks for being in your presence always.  
We also lift our laments to you. Hear our hurts, hear our  
joys. Hear our praise today. Amen.**

Hymn MV 27 Creator God You Gave Us Life

Passing the Peace of Christ

## SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Opening to the Word ~ M. Haugen ~

♪ **Return to God with all your heart,  
The source of grace and mercy.  
Come seek the tender faithfulness of love.**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:5-13 (Milt Papageorge)

Reflection

Hymn MV 172 God Says

## RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Communion

♪ **Come and fill our hearts with your love.~ MV 16 ~  
You the source of life are holy.  
Come and fill our hearts with your love.  
Alleluia!**

♪ **Bread of life, feed my soul, ~ MV 194 ~  
As the presence of the Spirit makes me whole.  
Bread of life, fill my heart,  
with the grace and mercy you impart.**

Our Holy Mother

**in your glory, we rise to courage.  
Your gentle power uplifts.  
Your ferocious care protects.  
As empires rise and fall, your brave love sustains  
all the earth, era after era.  
Provide for us and all –  
let every basic need be met  
and all excess be redistributed.  
May your graciousness move us  
to be gracious with others  
in accountability and repair.  
We strive to live in alignment  
with ourselves, each other, and the land. ...>**

**Keep us from all that deceives and destroys.  
On your paths, we find life abundant.  
In your company, we return to ourselves.  
Under your wings, we shelter each other.**

Offertory Response

~ MV 85 ~

**♪ Take, O take me as I am;  
Summon out what I shall be;  
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.**

Announcements: Work of the People

### **GOING OUT TO SERVE**

Hymn MV 161 I Have Called You by Your Name

Commissioning and Blessing

Response:

~ MV 92 ~

**♪ Like a rock, like a rock, God is under our feet.  
Like the starry night sky God is over our head.  
Like the sun on the horizon God is ever before.  
Like the river runs to ocean,  
our home is in God evermore.**

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on the journey inward  
and the journey outward*

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