# TODAY'S SERVICE

CULTIVATING CONNECTION WITH SELF, OTHERS, THE WIDE WORLD, AND GOD

FEEL FREE TO USE PRONOUNS OF YOUR CHOICE FOR ALL SONGS AND PRAYERS

#### Chimes

## **Gathering Statement**

We gather this morning to connect with the Divine, with ourselves, with each other, and with the Oneness of all Creation. We gather because inclusive community built around shared stories and rituals inspires us to pursue justice and live out our values.

## Call to Worship: Come Fall On Us

A thankful heart prepares the way for you my God A thankful heart prepares the way for you my God Come fall on us, we fall on you,
A thankful heart will be our rhythm
Come fall on us, we fall on you,
A thankful heart will be our song

## Sarum Prayer:

God be in my head
and in my understanding;
God be in my eyes
and in my looking;
God be in my mouth
and in my speaking;
God be in my heart
and in my thinking;
God be at my end
and at my departing

### A reading from Ezekiel 37:1-6

The Lord's power came on me. The Spirit of the Lord carried me out of the city and put me down in the middle of the valley. The valley was full of dead men's bones. There were many bones lying on the ground in the valley. I saw the bones were very dry. Then the Lord said to me, "Son of man, can these bones come to life?" I answered, "Lord God, only you know the answer to that question." Then he said to me, "Speak to these bones for me. Tell them, 'Dry bones, listen to the word of the Lord! This is what the Lord God says to you: I will cause breath to come into you, and you will come to life! I will put muscles on you, and I will cover you with skin. Then I will put breath in you, and you will come back to life! Then you will know that I am the Lord.'"

#### **Announcements**

#### Sermon

#### **Candles**

Remembering the Names: Irvo Otieno, George Floyd, Ruth Whitfield, Semaj Billingslea, Ryan White-Mountain Soft, Michelle Cusseaux, Antonio Martin, John Crawford III, Jasmine Cannady, Maurice Gordon, Iris Santos, Tony McDade, Dominique "Rem'mie" Fells, Dijon Kizzee, Geraldine Talley, Soon Chung Park, Daunte Wright, Jasvinder Kaur, Ahmaud Arbery, Margus Morrison, and those we haven't named. We hold them and their families in our hearts.

Prayers for Loved Ones: Sue, Manoj, Will, Jackie, Amy, Darryl, the McArdle Family, MJ, Lydi, Evan, Michelle, Donna and Penny, Haevyn, Rhonda & family, Jim, Kurt, Deb and Jim, Dave and Heather, Kris, Kharin, Mike and Janine, Brian, Natalie, Linda, Ken and Eleanor, Eddie, Kevin, Holly Ann, Pat, Mindy, William, Calob, Anne, Lauretta, Bob, Bishop Yvette Flunder, Bishop Bonnie Perry, Bishop Darrell Goodwin, Bishop Tim Wolfe, Lilliana, Sheila, Leah, Alicia, Patrisse, Opal, Ozone House, and those we lift up in silence.

## The Lord's Prayer:

Our Creator in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kin\_dom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kin\_dom, the power, and the glory are your sine your sine.

For the kin\_dom, the power, and the glory are yours. Now and forever. Amen.

#### Communion

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## Vapor By Gungor

Oh the vapor of it all It's a chasing of the wind The substance of the form So pale and thin

So pale and thin Let the veil of earth Be stretched again

Holy

All behold the holy

Trees clap their hands for you Oceans, they dance for you

Heaven taunts the hearts of men We can feel it from within The beauty of it all The mystery The swelling of a voice

Holy All behold the holy Trees clap their hands for you Oceans, they dance for you

You are holy Infinite and holy

A rising sea

A billion suns rise for you Clouds paint the skies for you Mountains stand tall for you Valleys bow down to you Everything rising to Sing all our songs to you

Holy

The impossible and holy Kings become fools for you Kingdoms to ruins for you Vapor finds ground in you Music finds sound in you Everything rising

Everything rising

Everything rising

Everything rising

Everything rising

Come like dawn Like grace Like sunlight

Bring this world to life

Come like rain
Like breath
Like springtime
Bring this world to life

#### **Benediction**

Go in peace, love your neighbor, you are not alone.