

## Visions United Spirit Gathering

January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Draw the Circle Wider

*Acts Now! Part 2 - Stories of Making Church Outside a Building*

### Our Community Gathers

**Prelude** Many Are the Lightbeams *John Foster (Accordion) & Daphna Pearson (Piano)*  
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### **Welcome**

*God's Doors Are Open to All!*  
*Open Doors · Open Minds · Open Hands · Open Hearts*  
 Visions United seeks to be a safe place for people of all  
 races, creeds, ages, cultural backgrounds,  
 sexual orientations and gender identities to worship.

**Song** MV#1 Let Us Build a House (v. 4 & 5) *Lead: Anna Peters & Daphna Pearson*  
*Guitar: Brian Affleck*  
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### **Gathering Words & Lighting of the Christ Candle**

*We light a candle each week, and we invite you to light one, too.*

*It's a moment of pause as we create sacred space.*

Welcomed in Love  
 Blessed by Spirit  
 Called by Christ  
 We gather in the presence of the One  
 who said, "I am the Light."

**Sung Centering Prayer** A Companion on the Road *Lead: Bill Peters & Brian Affleck*  
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Draw a breath. -- Say a prayer. --  
 Now look around, see that someone else is there.  
 Take a hand. Share the load.  
 It's good to have --- a companion on the road. ---  
 It's good to be --- a companion on the road.

### We Listen for Wisdom

### **Scripture Story Drama**

Acts 10

Narrator: Claudia Schaerer

Angel/Voice/Holy Spirit: Anna Peters

Cornelius: Bill Peters; Peter: Brian Botten

**Scene 1: Cornelius' vision****Sung Response:** Listen in the Silence*Lead: John & Daphna Pearson*

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Listen in the silence, listen in the noise  
 Listen for the sound of the Spirit's voice

**Scene 2: Peter's vision****Sung Response:** Listen in the Silence*Lead: John & Daphna Pearson*

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**Scene 3: Peter visits Cornelius****Sung Response:** Listen in the Silence*Lead: John & Daphna Pearson*

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**Reflection** Drawing the Circle Wider*Brian Botten, Ministry Student***We Respond with Prayer and Gratitude****Song** VU#588 Many Are the Lightbeams (vs. 1,2,4&5)*Lead: John Foster*

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**Our Community at Prayer****We Go Forth to Be a Blessing****Blessing and Changing of the Light****Song** MV#145 Draw the Circle Wide (refrain, v2, ref., v3, ref.)*Lead: Terry & Ainsley MacTavish-Hawkes**Postlude: John Pearson (djembe drums) & Daphna Pearson*

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**Postlude** Draw the Circle Wide

***Thank You for Joining Us!***  
***May Each of Us Carry the Spirit into the world with us.***