

## Visions United Spirit Gathering

March 13, 2022

### ***Good Enough: Embracing the Imperfections of Life and Faith***

Lent 2: "So Much is Out of Our Control"

#### **Our Community Gathers**

**Gathering Music**

*John Foster, Piano*

**Welcome & Acknowledgement of Land**

*Brian Botten*

*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.

**Lighting of Christ Candle & a Candle of Peace for the World**

*Brian Botten*

**Sharing the Peace**

The Peace of Christ be with you  
And also with you.

**Sharing of WOW moments**

*Brian Botten*

**Video Trailer**

**Gathering Invitation**

Good Enough – Lent 2

*Shawn Redden*

**Song**

Good Enough (2x)

*Lead: Visions Choir*

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What in our lives do we dream about  
for tomorrow, void of sorrow?  
Time spent regretting decisions  
of our yesterdays, mistakes we made?  
Sometimes we get what we get,  
Life disappoints us and yet,  
God is still here and somehow,  
this faith is good enough.

**Calling on God in Prayer**

*(prayer based on the Psalm 27)*

*Brian Botten*

Holy One, Our Light and Salvation,  
we call out to you,  
sometimes afraid of the adversaries in life.  
Shelter us in days of trouble, lead us on level paths.  
Open us this day to your grace and peace,  
transform our frustrations  
into simple and good enough moments that fill our days.  
Amen.

#### **We Listen for Wisdom**

**Song**

And When Afraid (*Chorus, v.1, Chorus, v.2, chorus*)

*Lead: Bill Peters*

*Words & Music: Mark Green*

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## Theme Conversation for All Ages

*(Children leave for program - Instrumental of song while they leave)*

**Wisdom Reading**      Luke 13:31-35

*Brian Botten*

## Honest Questions, Compassionate Response

*Shawn Redden*

What if we could let go of needing all things and all people to be “just so”  
and instead learn to dance with the unfolding of that which is not ours to control?

- *Silent Reflection* -

**Song**      MV 214 May God’s Sheltering Wings (2x)

*Lead: Ainsley MacTavish-Hawkes*

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**Reflection**      So Much is Out of Our Control

*Shawn Redden*

**Song**      MV#96 And When You Call for Me (*English, French*)

*Lead: Jill Baycroft*

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## Community at Prayer

*Brian Botten*

**Sung Response:** *And when you call for me, I have already answered.  
And when you call for me, I am already there.*

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## An Invitation to Generosity & Blessing of Our Gifts

*Brian Botten*

*Offering is brought forward*

## Announcements

**Song**      MV#28 God of the Bible (vs.1,2,5)

*Lead: Visions Choir*

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## Changing the Light & Blessing

*Brian Botten*

**Choral Reprise**      **Good Enough**

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## Postlude Music for the Journey

*Thank You for Joining Us!*

*May Each of Us Carry the Spirit into the world with us.*