

Visions United Spirit Gathering

March 20, 2022

Good Enough: Embracing the Imperfections of Life and Faith

Lent 3: "*Lots of Things Can Be Medicine*"

Our Community Gathers

Gathering Music

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

Gathering Invitation

Good Enough – Lent 3

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 63)*

Brian Botten

Holy One, Our Balm, Our Feast
we lift our hands and call your name,
in need of healing—thirsting and hungry.
Your steadfast love is better than life.
Open us this day to your nourishment
in the songs of the land, in the beauty of the sky—
in the simple and good enough moments that fill our days. Amen.

We Listen for Wisdom

Song MV#109 My Soul is Thirsting for You *(Refrain, v1. Refrain, v2, Refrain)*

Lead: Brian Affleck (+ guitar)

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Theme Conversation for All Ages

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

Wisdom Reading Luke 13:1-9

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Honest Questions, Compassionate Response

Shawn Redden

What expectations to produce and perform hold you captive?

- *Silent Reflection* -

Song MV#90 Don't Be Afraid *(English, French, English)*

Lead: John Russell

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Reflection Cultivating and Letting Go

Shawn Redden

Video Meditation

The Wisdom of the Fig Tree
Art, film, & meditation by Lisle Gwynn Garrity
inspired by Luke 13:6-9
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Song MV#135 Called by Earth and Sky

Lead: John Russell

(Refrain English, v1; Refrain French, v2, Refrain French, v3, Refrain English)

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Community at Prayer

Brian Botten

An Invitation to Generosity & Blessing of Our Gifts

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Offering is brought forward

Generous God,
in light of your extravagant blessings—
no matter what the state of the world or our imperfect lives—
we offer our gifts and ourselves,
and know that you transform what we plant
into the produce of love. Amen.

Announcements

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Song VU#575 I'm Gonna Live So

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Changing the Light & Blessing

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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.