

**Visions United Spirit Gathering  
September 25, 2022**

Hospitality: Who's Hosting Whom?

**Our Community Gathers**

**Gathering Music / Prelude**

*John Foster*

**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.

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**Place Acknowledgement of and National Day for Truth & Reconciliation**

**Sharing the Peace & a Light for Peace**

One: Peace of Christ be with you

All: **And also with you.**

**Song**      MV#141 We Are All One People

Words: Joseph Naytowhow and Cheryl L'Hirondelle,  
Music: Joseph Naytowhow ©2000 Used with permission.

*This song by Saskatchewan Cree composers, uses the tradition of singing praise using vocables – syllables with no specific meaning meant to be an expression of untexted praise. During the middle section of the song, we invite you to sing, without worry about getting all the notes and rhythms right!*

**Sharing of WOW Moments**

**Welcoming Travelling Jesus Home Among Us**

*Photo Story of Adventures with Travelling Jesus*

**Song**      MV#183 I'm Gonna Shout, Shout

*Piano & Vocals: Machaela Osowski*

Words/Music: Bruce Harding ©1998

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**We Listen for Wisdom**

**Theme Introduction**

**Wisdom Reading**

Genesis 18:1-14

**Reflection**    Who's Hosting Whom?

**Tools of the Trade**

## **We Respond with Gratitude and Prayer**

### **The Community at Prayer**

**Song**                      MV#21 Open Our Hearts

*Song leader: John Foster*

Words/Music: Jim Strathdee, French trans. David Fines ©2006  
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### **An Invitation to Generosity**

*Offering is brought forward*

### **Dedication of Our Gifts      MV#79 Spirit, Open My Heart (Refrain, vs. 3, refrain)**

*Piano & Vocals: Machaela Osowski*

Words: Ruth Duck, 1994; Music: Trad. Irish melody, arr. Arthur C. Clyde, 1997

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### **Visioning Moment**

Ministry as Circles of Service & Learning

*Jill Baycroft & Claudia Schaerer*

### **The Work of the Community – Our Announcements**

## **We Go Forth to Be a Blessing**

**Song**                      VU#634/633 To Abraham and Sarah (v.2) / Bless Now, O God, the Journey (vs.2&3)

*Piano & Vocals: Machaela Osowski*

Words verse 2: Judith Fetter ©1984

Words verses 2&3: Sylvia Dunstan, 1989 ©1991 GIA Publ. Inc.

Music: Basil Harwood, 1898. All rights reserved

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### **Changing of the Light & Blessing**

**Postlude Music for the Journey**                      *Ameni (MV#219)*

*Thank You for Joining Us!*

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