

Visions United Spirit Gathering
September 10, 2023
Where Two or Three Are Gathered, I am There.
Christian Community 101

* *Stand as able*

Our Community Gathers

Gathering Music/Prelude

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, abilities, cultural backgrounds,
 sexual orientations and gender identities to worship

Acknowledgement of Land

One: We remember with gratitude

that we live and worship on lands that are, by law,
 the unceded territories of the Mi'kmaq.

**All: May we live with respect on this land,
 and in peace and friendship with its people**

* **Song** (*standing*) MV#1 Let Us Build a House (*vs. 1, 4, 5*) Words/Music: Marty Hagen, ©1994
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Invitation to Gather & Lighting the Christ Candle

One: Inviting spirit into Spirit

All: Gathering light into Light

One: Calling love into Love

All: Here we are in the presence
 of the One who said,
 "I am the Light".

Sharing the Peace & Kindling a Flame for Peace

One: Peace of Christ Be with You

All: And Also With You

Sharing of WOW Moments

Time for All Ages

Cecil, the Lost Sheep

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Children's Programming Begins

We Listen for Wisdom

Theme Introduction

Wisdom Reading & Song Matthew 18: 1-20 (*selected verses*)

Sung Response MV#14 Where Two or Three Are Gathered Words/Music: Bruce Harding ©2002.
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Where two or three are gathered in my name,
I am there, I am there.

Reflection Community 101

We Respond with Prayer and Gratitude**Prayer Commitment**

One: In caring for one another,

All: may we be untiring.

One: In challenging one another,

All: may we be respectful.

One: In sheltering one another,

All: may we be strong.

One: In holding one another,

All: may we be tender.

One: In the expectations we have for one another,

All: may we be realistic.

One: In the songs we sing with one another,

All: may we seek harmony.

One: And in loving one another,

All: may we be all these things and more.

One: As we seek to hold faith with one another.

All: We pray. Amen.

Prayer Song (*seated*) A Companion on the Road (2x)

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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.

Our Community at Prayer**Invitation to Generosity & Sharing of Our Gifts****The Work of the Congregation – Announcements****We Go Forth to Be a Blessing**

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Changing of the Light and Blessing**Postlude Music for the Journey**

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