



February 28, 2021
10:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

Passion Chorale
Dr. David Neiweem

Johannes Brahms

CALL TO WORSHIP *by rev hunt, adapted*

We are met in the presence of God

All: And we do not meet alone.

With the angels in the highest heaven,

With Peter and Mary,

With all who have come before

With all who will come after

All: With one another

As we embark on our own journey of faith,

All: God is shaping us into God's people,

In mountain and meeting house,

in barrio and basilica,

God's holy name be praised.

We journey in the presence of God.

All: And we do not journey alone.

Let us pray: In this season of Lent, may we become more aware

of the presence of the sacred:

in each other,

in music,

as we give and receive gifts of love...

That we may all live so others

can see this presence alive in our actions.

May it be so with us. Amen.

The Safran Family

WORDS OF WELCOME AND LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Hannah Sachs

*OPENING HYMN

I Heard My Mother Say
Evelyn Kwanza, soloist

NCH 409

GOSPEL READING

Mark 3:31-35 and John 19:21-27

Bob McKearin

TIME OF UNBURDENING

Rev. Elissa Johnk

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC

Thuma Mina (Send Me, Lord)
Kipene Tabu, soloist, Zach Kelly, drums, Youth Choir, Ana Ruesink, director

SHARING THE WORD

WORD OF GOD FOR (SM)ALL AGES

Hilah Clarke

THE DISCIPLE MARY

Wendy Whaples Scully and the Rev. Bob Brown

RESPONSE IN SONG

We are telling Mary's Story

SERMON

Rev. Elissa Johnk

***SONG OF THANKSGIVING**

Mary, Woman of the Promise

NCH 123

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

PASTORAL PRAYER, SILENT PRAYER, THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Hannah Sachs

OFFERTORY

Nimrod from Enigma Variations

Edward Elgar

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Hannah Sachs

THE SENDING FORTH

***CLOSING HYMN**

Forty Days and Forty Nights

NCH 205

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Preston Murphy, guitar

**Please rise, as you are able, in body or in spirit*