



Thursday Mid-day Prayer

Together

Responses are in **bold type**. Psalms: alternate between right **R** and left **L** side of group

Hymn (Music or spoken: Sacred Weave)

You, O Lord, are in this place.
Your Presence fills it. Your presence is peace.
You, O Lord, are in my heart.
Your Presence fills it. Your presence is peace
You, O Lord, are in my mind.
Your Presence fills it. Your presence is peace.
You, O Lord, are in my life.
Your Presence fills it. Your presence is peace

The Lord is here: **His Spirit is with us**

God of all Creation
Source of life and love
Unite us

Son of God
Word of love made flesh
Unite us

Spirit of God
Love-force in our midst
Unite us



Ezekiel 34

He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms *(Isaiah 40:11)*

℞ I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out.

As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep.

ℒ I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness.

I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land;

℞ I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture

ℒ I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak...

He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms

Scripture reading *followed by quiet reflection and music*



Lord we pray

For an end to the walls and words that divide us

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

That we might come to understand each other

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

That we might live at peace with diversity

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Open our eyes to the pain we cause when we

Tear each other apart in bitterness and dispute

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Engage in or support war and violence

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Encourage division and exclusion

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

And we pray that

All who battle injustice may have hope

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

All who work for unity may be strengthened

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

All who strive for peace may be supported

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Our Father....

Creator God
Restore us
Son of God
Walk with us
Breath of God
Empower us.
Father, Son and Spirit
Three-in-One
Unite us

AMEN

**May we rest
In the stillness of God
May we find acceptance
in the deep love of his Son
and in our coming and our going
may we experience
the freedom of the Spirit
day by day
calling us
to new life
together
in Christ**

We leave here . **.In the Name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit Amen**