

## ■ Call to Worship

Reader 1: We come into this space,  
 as people blessed by the touch of God;  
 as people enriched by cultures born into and  
     discovered;  
 as people wounded by racism;  
 as people yearning for healing;  
 as people working for the Kingdom.

ALL: God, be with us.

Reader 2: We come into this space,  
 with anticipation of the work before us;  
 with an openness to discovery;  
 with a commitment to working for reconciliation;  
 with a willingness to challenge and be challenged;  
 with anticipation of discovery.

ALL: Christ, come near us.

Reader 3: We come into this space,  
 to spend time with the Scriptures;  
 to learn about prejudice;  
 to become aware of privilege;  
 to explore cultures;  
 to encourage each other to action.

ALL: Holy Spirit, bless our time together. Amen.

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