

## CALL TO PRAYER & GATHERING SONG

**Leader:** We gather together to pray with the promise of hope for our world. We especially remember in prayer the people of Haiti who cry out amidst a devastating earthquake disaster. Let us hold in our hearts all our sisters and brothers affected by this disaster, especially those who have passed into the next life. *(pause)* In thanksgiving for the gifts left to us from those that died, in solidarity with those who must rebuild their lives, we invite the Lord into our presence, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen.

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 65, 17-25.

## PRESENTATION OF THE ELEMENTS

### Earth

**Leader:** Let us respond...

**All:** Lord of all creation, let your love and justice be planted in the hearts of all. Give us the courage to create new life in the world.

### Air

**Leader:** Let us respond...

**All:** Lord of all creation, let your love and justice whisk like the wind through the hearts of all. Give us the courage to breathe new life into the world.

### Fire

**Leader:** Let us respond...

**All:** Lord of all people, let your love and justice burn like fire in the hearts of all. Give us the courage to bring your light into the world.

### Water

**Leader:** Let us respond...

**All:** Lord of all creation, let your love and justice flow like water through the hearts of all. Give us the courage to bring your healing into the world.

**SECOND READING:** Mark 4, 35-41

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

**Response:** *God of Hope, hear our prayer.*

**SIGN OF PEACE**

**Leader:** Creator God, realizing that we are part of one human family, let us extend the sign of peace to each other. (*Exchange of the sign of peace*)

**Leader:** We stand here with You, the Artist of creation, on an earth that continues to express her pain and joy for the life You have given to all. We are reborn each day in Your Ways, Master-builder. Send us forth to reconcile all your peoples to each other and to the earth. We ask this in your name...

**All:** Amen.

**SENDING SONG**