

**5TH SUNDAY IN LENT
NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES SUNDAY
ANEW SERVICE
MARCH 17, 2024**

WELCOME

Rev. Meegian Gossard

***CALL TO WORSHIP** “We Are All Related (Eastern Cherokee Prayer)”

Leader: We share our stories.

People: Each of us brings a unique story and gifts from the Creator.

Leader: Our stories are about journeys of faith.

People: We walk a path of righteousness.

Leader: We share our path with all creation.

All: We are all related.

***OPENING SONGS OF PRAISE**

*Welcome Home
All Creatures of Our God and King*

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

As you take your seat, please greet one another with the peace of Christ.
Please sign the attendance register at your table.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INTRODUCTION OF OUR GUEST SPEAKER

LENTEN MEDITATION

Loving God, we open our hearts to you. We invite you into our inmost being, only to find you already there. Strengthen us in our quiet place and then lead us into the work of justice and peace. Amen.

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

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SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Leviticus 25:23-24
Matthew 25:35-40

*Common English Bible
First Nations Version*

SERMON

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PRAYER (IN UNISON)

By: Laurel Singing Water Cat

Great Spirit, God, Creator of All, I welcome You into my heart, mind, body and soul.
There is always room for You here. Grant me the wisdom to heed my inner voice and
the

strength to stay grounded while I sing my sacred song. Guide me down my chosen path
and give me the courage to pursue what is available to me. I am thankful for the lessons
and grateful for my struggles. I have not forgotten what has brought me to where I am
today. Open my heart to the healing wisdom of a nature. We are all related and though
this, I will find serenity. Great Spirit, God, Creator of All, cleanse my spirit and wash my
soul. There is always room for You here...

AN INDIAN VERSION OF THE LORD’S PRAYER (AUTHOR UNKNOWN)

Great Spirt, You are the parent and loving source of all. In you are heav’n and holiness
and hope for our world’s renewal. May we today have food to eat and forgiveness for
wrongs we’ve done to one another. May we have strength in times of trial and injustice,
loss and sadness. In love, we shall find You and Your power and Your glory forever.
Aho. Amen.

***CLOSING SONGS OF PRAISE & OFFERTORY**

*Who You Say I Am
Reckless Love*

The offering basket is on the altar at the front of the worship space.

***BENEDICTION**

*Please stand as you are able.

Be advised this service is livestreamed.