

Opening of Plenary 2 Friday morning 9:00 am

Morning Prayers

Please stand and join in praying the prayer of the day

Prayer of the Day

God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

AMEN

Let us sing together

Lord Most High

Please read responsively

A Liturgy to Begin a Purposeful Gathering
"Every Moment Holy," by Douglas McKelvey
Pages 115-117

And so we are gathered here, uniquely in all of history,
we particular people in this singular time and place.

Accomplish your purposes among us, O God.

Tune our hearts to the voice of your Spirit.

**Wake us to be present to you
and to one another in these shared hours we are given.**

For it is you, O Lord, who have so gathered us from our various places,
and you alone who know our hearts and our needs.

**Among us are some who arrive anxious.
Some who are lonely. Some who suffer pain or sorrow.**

May we in our joys find grace to enter the sorrows of others.

**Among us are some who arrive rejoicing,
hearts made light by good news, good health, glad anticipation.**

May we in our sorrows find grace to embrace the joys of others.

**Let us prize these moments and care for one another deeply, for each of us, and
our relationships to one another are precious and fleeting.**

Breathe upon our gathering, O Spirit of God.
Grant each of us place to humbly receive and to faithfully serve,
that we might know in this brief gathering
a foretaste of that greater communion yet to come.

**O Father, enlarge our hearts.
O Spirit, expand our vision.
O Christ, establish your kingdom among us.
Be at work even now, O Lord. May your will, in us, in these hours,
be accomplished.
Amen.**

Let us sing together
Every Praise
Again I Say Rejoice

Go in Peace and Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.