

SENSING THE SACRED
PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

◆ **Gathering music**

◆ **Welcome**

◆ **Opening reading**

Leader: Call Me, and I will answer you.

All: Call Me, and I will answer you.

Leader: The One Who Is says:
I know the plans I have set for you:
plans for your welfare, not your destruction.
My desire is for a future filled with hope.

All: Call Me, and I will answer you.

Leader: When you call Me,
when you follow Me,
when you pray to Me,
I will listen.
When you seek Me you will find Me,
providing that you seek me with a whole heart.

All: Call Me, and I will answer you.

Leader: I am available to you, and I will restore your fortunes.
I will gather you in from your places of captivity,
and I will bring you home from your places of exile.

All: Call Me, and I will answer you.

Leader: Call Me, and I will answer you.
I will reveal to you wondrous things;
secrets that surpass your understanding.

All: Call Me, and I will answer you.

(Jeremiah 33:3, translated by Rami Shapiro)

◆ **Prayer of the people**

◆ **Centering prayer**

◆ **Lectio Divina**

◆ **Closing Prayer**

All: Ground of all being, Mother of life, Father of the universe,
Your name is sacred, beyond speaking.

May we know your presence, may your longings
be our longings in heart and action.

May there be food for the human family today
and for the whole earth community.

Forgive us the falseness of what we have done
as we forgive those who are untrue to us.

Do not forsake us in our time of conflict
but lead us to new beginnings.
For the light of life, the vitality of life,
and the glory of life are yours now and forever.

Amen.

(a paraphrase of the Lord's Prayer by John Philip Newell)

◆ **Blessing & Fellowship**