

Opening Liturgy

Leader:
God of the story,
God of the conversation,
we are here.
We are here to hear your voice
In each other's voices.
We are here to see you
in each other's insights.
Jesus, we are here
All: We are here for you.

Leader:
We are here –
we who are tired,
and we whose energy is boundless;
we who are burdened with worry,
and we who are excited about the
future.
We who are strangers
and we who are old friends.
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Leader:
We are here –
we who have come full of questions,
and we who have come full of faith;
we who have come eagerly
and we who are reluctant.
We creatures of habit,
and we who are restless.
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Leader:
God of the story,
God of the conversation,
meet us here,
in silence and sound,
in stranger and friend,
in challenge and comfort,
in new and in ancient,
in the mundane and in the surprising.
Jesus, we are here
**All: We are here for you.
Amen.**

Closing Blessing

Leader:
God in our stories
and in our conversations.
We have met with you
as our journeys have come together for
a time.

We have each heard
the story of another,
holding for a while
that which is not ours.
Seeing you in the face of another,
hearing you in the voice of another,
Knowing you in our midst;

and so -

**All: May we continue to see you,
hear you,
and know you,
as we journey on.
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Opening Prayer

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