

# **Pentecost 2006**

## **Living the Vision**

**Seekers Church**

**A Christian Community**

*In the Tradition of the Church of the Saviour*

**Pentecost 2006 – Living the Vision**

**CIRCLE TIME**

**ENTRANCE**

**REFLECTION**

The community of persons closest to us has the power to keep us in the tomb of fear or to call us into the daybreak of hope. Do those around us call us to huddle more closely together and bolt the doors of our upper room? Or do they help us throw the doors open because we have experienced together the freeing call to action which is the Spirit of Jesus in our midst?

Sr. Loretta Mather

From an address to the Leadership Conference of Women Religious, 1981



## **SILENCE**

### **RESPONSIVE READING**

Leader:           Holy, holy, holy!

                    We claim God's Word as it is given to us:

Voice 1:          Sacré, sacré, sacré!

                    We honor the prophetic voices Of those  
beside us:

Voice 2:          **Santos, santos, santos!**

                    We follow Christ together into the hungry,  
hurting world.

**All:                    God's vision of peace with justice opens  
before our eyes.**

**Holy, holy, holy!**

## **SILENCE**

### **PRAYERS**

### **CONFESSION**

Leader:           We live too much of each day

in the padlocked tomb of fear.

People: We have not called one another  
into the daybreak of hope.

Leader: We have not opened the doors of our hearts.

People: We have not heard one another into action.

All: Forgive us, Holy One,  
for loving our vision of community  
more than the reality that you have given  
us.

#### ASSURANCE

Leader: The Risen Christ is in our midst,  
throwing open the bolted doors  
to the daybreak of forgiving grace.

All: Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

JESUS PRAYER

**HYMN**

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**THE WORD**

SCRIPTURE

SERMON

SILENT REFLECTION

**OFFERING**

*The first Sunday of each month we switch to a [Communion Liturgy](#) here.*

**SHARED REFLECTIONS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HYMN**

## **BENEDICTION**

Leader:           As we open the portals of this sanctuary  
                          to return to our roles in the world,  
                          may we likewise throw open  
                          the locked doors of our hearts.

                          Go forth from this place  
                          empowered by the Holy Spirit  
                          to love and to serve a world  
                          hungry for that love and service.

People:           Amen.