Recommitment 2010 — Rekindle the Gift of God

GATHERING



ENTRANCE

REFLECTION

I wish I could show you when you are lonely or in darkness the astonishing light of your being.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God promises,

I will write my law on your hearts;
I will be your God and you will be my

people.

People: The astonishing light of God shines in us!

Leader: Christ calls us to proclaim the Good News

with patience and courage,

so that all may come to know the

truth.

People: The astonishing light of God shines through

us!

Leader: The Holy Spirit in our midst

infuses us with power and love.

All: We come together to rekindle

the astonishing light of God among

us!

INVOCATION

HYMN

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

SILENCE

PRAYERS

COMMON CONFESSION

Leader: God of patience and grace,

we are reluctant to come to you.

Voice 1: We pledge to care for your creation,

and work for justice and peace,

yet we pursue our own creature

comforts.

Voice 2: We promise to respond joyfully to your call,

but we fear what will be asked of us.

Leader: We turn from you, not toward you.

All: Our faith is tattered by our own hands.

Forgive us we pray.

INDIVIDUAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE

Leader: The God of compassion and mercy

forgives us and restores our faith,

bathing us in the light of Christ.

All: Amen

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

All: 0 Holy One, we come today

to claim our relationship with you.

We pray for the commitment to grow together,

sharing the gifts you give us with others here and in the wider world.

Forgive us for the hurt we have inflicted, and help us forgive those who have hurt us.

Give us strength and discipline

to nurture our relationship with you;

to care for every part of your creation;

to foster justice and be in solidarity with

those in need;

to work to end all war, and violence, and

discord;

and to respond joyfully when you call,

freely giving our selves as you have shown

the way.

We open our hearts to you and your creation in the name of Jesus, who is the Christ.

Amen.

HYMN

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE

SERMON

_	-		_		-	 _		_	•	_	~-	_	-	$\overline{}$		
_			_	ı۱	IΤ	u	_	_	Ľ	_		Γ.		1	ı۱	
7			_	ı١		\neg				_					ı١	
_	_	_	_						_	_	_			_		

n	F	F	F	R	T	N	G
V	•	•	-	1	_	IV	U

SHARED REFLECTIONS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN

BENEDICTION

Leader: Rekindle the gift of God within you.

Fan your spirit into flames.

Go forth to love and serve the world.

All: Amen.

WORSHIP RESOURCES

Reflection: "My Brilliant Image," *I Heard God Laughing: Renderings of Hafiz* by Daniel Ladinsky, pp 13-15.