



## Evening Prayer for Indigenous Peoples' Day *Ritual, Prayer, Learning, Conversation*

October 9, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

### **Welcome and Gathering**

#### **Introduction**

*The Rev. Alanna Van Antwerpen*

#### **Opening Land Acknowledgment**

*The Rt. Rev. Robert A. Hirschfeld*

We acknowledge the spiritual and physical connection the Pennacook, Abenaki, and Wabanaki Peoples have maintained to N'dakinna (N-DAH-kee-nah) and the aki (land), nebi (water), olakwika (flora), and awaasak (fauna) which the Episcopal Church of New Hampshire strives and learns to steward today. We also acknowledge the hardships they continue to endure after the loss of unceded homelands. We reaffirm The Episcopal Church's renunciation of the Doctrine of Discovery. We repent of these sins and take responsibility for working to repair these damages ecumenically. We seek to foster relationships and opportunities that strengthen the well-being of the Indigenous People who carry forward the traditions of their ancestors.

#### **Explanation of Land Acknowledgment**

*The Rev. Zachary Harmon*

## Opening Ritual

### Opening Sentence for Evening Prayer

*The Rev. Zachary Harmon*

Seek him who made the Pleiades and Orion, and turns deep darkness into the morning, and darkens the day into night; who calls for the waters of the sea and pours them out upon the surface of the earth: The Lord is his name. *Amos 5:8*

### A Prayer for Healing and Hope

*The Rt. Rev. Robert A. Hirschfeld*

*(from "EXPOSING THE DOCTRINE OF DISCOVERY: A CALL TO HEALING AND HOPE")*

O Great Spirit, God of all people and every tribe, through whom all people are related;  
Call us to the kinship of all your people.

Grant us vision to see through the lens of our Baptismal Covenant, the brokenness of the past;  
*(Here may be inserted specific, local prayers for the brokenness of the past.)*

Help us to listen to you and to one-another,  
in order to heal the wounds of the present;  
*(Here may be inserted specific, local prayers for the brokenness of the present)*

And, give us courage, patience and wisdom to work together for healing and hope with all of  
your people, now and in the future.

Mend the hoop of our hearts and let us live in justice and peace,  
through Jesus Christ, the One who comes to all people that we might live in dignity. **Amen.**

### The Invitatory and Psalter

*The Rev. Zachary Harmon*

O God Make Speed to Save Us  
O Lord Make Haste to Help Us

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as  
it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. **Amen. Alleluia.**

## **O Gracious Light** *Phos hilaron*

O gracious light,  
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,  
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun,  
and our eyes behold the vesper light,  
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,  
O Son of God, O Giver of Life,  
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

## **Psalm 96:7-13**

Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
bring an offering, and come into his courts.

Worship the LORD in holy splendour;  
tremble before him, all the earth.

Say among the nations, 'The LORD is king!  
The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.  
He will judge the peoples with equity.'

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;  
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;  
let the field exult, and everything in it.

Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy  
before the LORD; for he is coming,  
for he is coming to judge the earth.

He will judge the world with righteousness,  
and the peoples with his truth.

## Scripture Readings

### Job 38:31-39:4; 40:1-2 (NRSV)

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'Can you bind the chains of the Pleiades,  
or loose the cords of Orion?  
Can you lead forth the Mazzaroth in their season,  
or can you guide the Bear with its children?  
Do you know the ordinances of the heavens?  
Can you establish their rule on the earth?

'Can you lift up your voice to the clouds,  
so that a flood of waters may cover you?  
Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go  
and say to you, "Here we are"?  
Who has put wisdom in the inward parts,  
or given understanding to the mind?  
Who has the wisdom to number the clouds?  
Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens,  
when the dust runs into a mass  
and the clods cling together?

'Can you hunt the prey for the lion,  
or satisfy the appetite of the young lions,  
when they crouch in their dens,  
or lie in wait in their covert?  
Who provides for the raven its prey,  
when its young ones cry to God,  
and wander about for lack of food?  
'Do you know when the mountain goats give birth?  
Do you observe the calving of the deer?  
Can you number the months that they fulfil,  
and do you know the time when they give birth,  
when they crouch to give birth to their offspring,  
and are delivered of their young?  
Their young ones become strong, they grow up in the open;  
they go forth, and do not return to them.  
And the LORD said to Job:  
'Shall a fault-finder contend with the Almighty?  
Anyone who argues with God must respond.'

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord

**People:** Thanks Be to God

## **The Song of Mary *Magnificat***

*The Rev. Zachary Harmon*

Luke 1:46-55

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
 my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; \*  
 for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.  
 From this day all generations will call me blessed: \*  
 the Almighty has done great things for me,  
 and holy is his Name.  
 He has mercy on those who fear him \*  
 in every generation.  
 He has shown the strength of his arm, \*  
 he has scattered the proud in their conceit.  
 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \*  
 and has lifted up the lowly.  
 He has filled the hungry with good things, \*  
 and the rich he has sent away empty.  
 He has come to the help of his servant Israel, \*  
 for he has remembered his promise of mercy,  
 The promise he made to our fathers, \*  
 to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
 as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## **Gospel**

*The Rt. Rev. Robert A. Hirschfeld*

Luke 12:27-34

Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

## Presentations and Learning

### Presentation on Creation Care & Indigenous Justice in New Hampshire

*Paul Pouliot & Denise Pouliot; The Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook Abenaki*

### Presentation on Indigenous Peoples' Day and Environmental Concerns

*Kathleen Blake, NH Abenaki and Environmental Educator  
on behalf of Indigenous New Hampshire Collaborative Collective*

## The Prayers

### The Apostles' Creed

*The Rev. Zachary Harmon*

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

### The Lord's Prayer

**Leader:** The Lord Be With You

**People:** And Also You

**Leader:** Let us pray

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
 hallowed be thy Name,  
 thy kingdom come,  
 thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.  
 And forgive us our trespasses,  
 as we forgive those  
 who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,  
 and the power, and the glory,  
 for ever and ever. Amen.

## The Suffrages

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*Leader:* That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,

*People:* We entreat you, O Lord.

*Leader:* That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,

*People:* We entreat you, O Lord.

*Leader:* That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,

*People:* We entreat you, O Lord.

*Leader:* That there may be peace to your Church and to the whole world,

*People:* We entreat you, O Lord.

*Leader:* That we may depart this life in your faith and fear, and not be condemned  
 before the great judgment seat of Christ,

*People:* We entreat you, O Lord.

*Leader:* That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit in the communion of  
 Mother Mary, St. Peter, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Samson Occom and  
 all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,

*People:* We entreat you, O Lord.

*or this*

## A Litany for Indigenous Peoples' Day

**Leader:** Creator, you made us all in your beautiful diversity  
Planting us in all four corners of your sacred earth  
And you call us together now on the four winds  
Inviting us to be renewed and healed by your spirit.

**People:** *Creator, author of all goodness, water us with your tears and bind us all as one.*

**Leader:** Your people have been scattered, abused and broken  
Yet always you sang to us by the light of sister moon  
You spoke to us through the radiance of brother sun  
Through the very ground you remind us we are loved.

**People:** *Creator, source of compassion, you bear our pain and hear our silent screams.*

**Leader:** They took our land and then they took our little ones  
You heard our moaning and our cries in the night  
Sending comfort and vision for a new generation of hope  
To the seventh generation you have promised healing.

**People:** *Creator, you know our hearts, help us to pray as our ancestors did.*

**Leader:** You placed us on lush, green and fertile lands  
Draped with golden mountains and deep rivers  
You taught us how to care for every living thing  
But strangers came and did not see your beauty.

**People:** *Creator, you bring sight to the blind, help our people to see again.*

**Leader:** Loving Creator, use our wounds for the healing of our circle  
Use our voices so the songs of the silenced are heard again  
Use the threads of our anger and shame for the mending of this hoop  
Use our homes and our ancient lands as places of sacred promise.

**People:** *Creator, make us whole again, so our mother is renewed for all. Amen.*

*--written by The Rt. Rev. Dr. Carol J. Gallagher*



## A Collect for the Presence of Christ

*The Rev. Zac Harmon*

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. **Amen.**

O God, you manifest in your servants the signs of your presence: Send forth upon us the spirit of love, that in companionship with one another your abounding grace may increase among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## Questions and Conversation

*A time for the gathered community online and in person to have conversation about the presentations and ask questions of our panelists.*

## The Sending in Service to the World

### A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

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Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

*Then may be said*

**Leader:** Let us bless the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## Closing

**Special Thanks**

Panelists: Paul & Denise Pouliot of the Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook Abenaki, Kathleen Blake of Indigenous New Hampshire Collaborative Collective Bishop Rob Hirschfeld of the Episcopal Church of New Hampshire

Liturgist/Organizer: The Rev. Zac Harmon, Vicar St. Christopher's Episcopal Church and the Reconciliation Commission of the ECNH

Reader: The Rev. Colin Chapman, Rector St. Peter's Episcopal Church

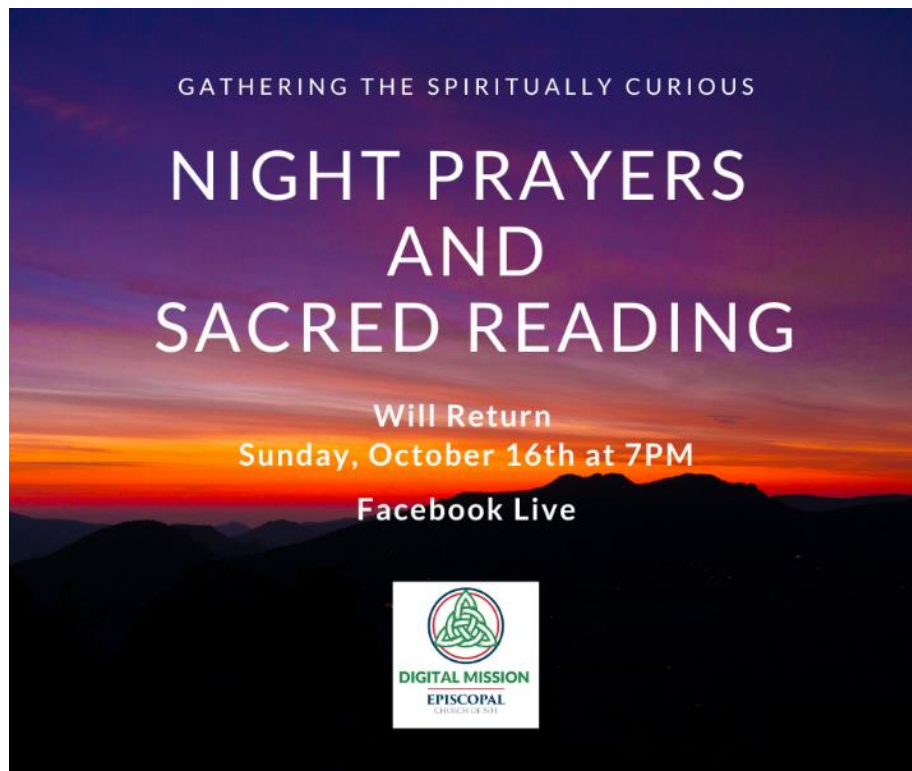
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**Worship Material**

The Book of Common Prayer- An Order of Worship for the Evening  
The Hymnal 1982

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