

Meditation and Prayer

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In reverence, respect for all, and in reflection, let us pause in the spirit of meditation and prayer.

Spirit of Life, God whom we call by many names, Living Spirit of nature and birds and trees and streams and flowers, we come together in love and celebration. We continue to build on the good deeds and wisdom and creativity of those who have gone before us. And we carry the baton into the future humbly and proudly.

We honor and celebrate our newly elected president. May he live and serve in wisdom, calm deliberation, and good health. We pray for a smooth transition for his administration, and for his family. May his words and deeds continue to bond us together in our nation and peacefully throughout the world.

As we celebrate and honor those who have passed this way before us, let us remind ourselves of the brevity of our own lives, and the importance of living with intention and honor. How we live and what we do does indeed make a difference. Let our days and nights not go to waste. Let us continue to examine our faith as well as our lives, to put purpose into all we do.

Let us remember those who are ill, disappointed by events or failure, and who need a hug or a hand up. Let us remember to offer rides to the elderly, and to encourage the children.

Let us continue to work for greater fairness in our laws and to work for greater inclusiveness in all aspects of love and life. Let those who make our laws hear our voices against torture and all injustice.

In the spirit of remembrance and gratitude, let us continue to build community here and in the world. Let no injustice go unchallenged.

I speak these words in the spirit of all that is holy.

Amen