

Sunday, October 11, 2026

Invocation #155 - *Circle 'Round for Freedom*

Circle 'round for freedom, circle 'round for peace,
for all of us imprisoned, circle for release,
circle for the planet, circle for each soul,
for the children of our children, keep the circle whole.

Opening Hymn #347 - *Gather the Spirit*

Gather the spirit, harvest the power.
Our sep'rate fires will kindle one flame.
Witness the mystery of this hour.
Our trials in this light appear all the same.

(Chorus)

Gather in peace, gather in thanks.
Gather in sympathy now and then.
Gather in hope, compassion and strength.
Gather to celebrate once again.

Gather the spirit of heart and mind.
Seeds for the sowing are laid in store.
Nurtured in love, and conscience refined,
with body and spirit united once more.

(Chorus)

Gather the spirit growing in all,
drawn by the moon and fed by the sun.
Winter to spring, and summer to fall,
the chorus of life resounding as one.

(Chorus)

Closing Hymn #298 - *Wake, Now, My Senses*

Wake, now, my senses, and hear the earth call;
 feel the deep power of being in all;
 keep, with the web of creation your vow,
 giving, receiving as love shows us how.

Wake, now, compassion, give heed to the cry;
 voices of suffering fill the wide sky;
take as your neighbor both stranger and friend,
 praying and striving their hardship to end.

Wake, now, my vision of ministry clear;
 brighten my pathway with radiance here;
 mingle my calling with all who will share;
work toward a planet transformed by our care.