



Recovering from Alcoholism: Personal Reflections

David Isaacson

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Music for Gathering

Words of Welcome

Becki Moffett-Moore

Opening Song

Jennifer Drake & Savannah Ramsey

'When Our Heart is in a Holy Place' (#1008)

Chorus:

When our heart is in a holy place,

When our heart is in a holy place,

We are bless'd with love and amazing grace,

When our heart is in a holy place.

When we trust the wisdom in each of us,

Ev'ry color ev'ry creed and kind,

And we see our faces in each other's eyes,

Then our heart is in a holy place. (Chorus)

When we tell our story from deep inside,

And we listen with a loving mind,

And we hear our voices in each other's words,

Then our heart is in a holy place. (Chorus)

When we share the silence of sacred space,

And the God of our Heart stirs within,

And we feel the power of each other's faith,

Then our heart is in a holy place. (Chorus)

Chalice Lighting

Becki Moffett-Moore

Joys and Sorrows

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Silent Meditation

Offering

Becki Moffett-Moore

Offertory

Giving Thanks for All That Sustains Us:

For the countless gifts we each have been given, gifts of life and love and sustenance, we bring these small portions, to share in the works of love which none of us can accomplish alone.

Readings:

David Isaacson

'The Serenity Prayer'

'Alcoholic recovery slogans'

Song

Jennifer Drake & Savannah Ramsey

'Filled with Loving Kindness' (#1031)

May I (you, we) be filled with loving kindness

May I (you, we) be well (repeat)

May I (you, we) be peaceful and at ease

May I (you, we) be whole

Reflection

David Isaacson

Questions for Sharing and Listening

Becki Moffett-Moore

Guidelines for discussion: Please speak the truth as you understand it; to avoid inhibiting the flow of discussion, do not comment on others' comments until everyone has had a chance to do initial sharing

1. Have you a story about trying to recover from an addiction you would like to briefly describe ?

2. Do you have a positive addiction you can describe? Understand positive addiction to be a compulsive behavior you enjoy and think is good for you.

3. Do you have questions for David?

Closing song

'Blessed Spirit of My Life' (#86)
Jennifer Drake & Savannah Ramsey

Closing words

David Isaacson

People joining us via Zoom are invited to stay for smaller group conversation.

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