

## **EVOCATION AND.**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

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#### **Let Us Pray:**

Now as we pause for a moment and become still, sensing and accepting that where we are, the infinite presence of God is, know that the purpose of prayer is not to change God's mind, which always knows our wholeness and worth. The purpose of prayer is to change our own minds so we can see through the eyes of God.

And through the eyes of God, I call upon love, a love that knows no boundaries, greater than any opposition, spanning all distances and ages. Love brings together what has been apart, and reminds of our true nature. As we rest in love's embrace, in our thoughts, in our acts of kindness, the magic of love infuses our lives.

Today, may we see with the eyes of God...Let us lift our vision from the mortal, the frail, the false, the small...and focus on the truth of love as we embrace each other's spirit here today...in love, knowing that they are Divine centers of life. May we use each moment as anew opportunity to walk our talk...to make our lives meaningful through our actions and to prove the Presence of God through our deeds.

So let us rejoice this day, knowing that something magnificent is happening. We know that all our prayers reach heaven because heaven is our birthright and God always welcomes us home...So take my hand...and I will take yours...and let us leave the rest in the hands of God...and so we say, Amen!