## Time of Worship, Prayer and Reflection

Synod of the Covenant Assembly December 4, 2020

Responsive Call to Prayer

Flor Vélez-Díaz

May this eternal truth be always on our hearts That the God who breathed this world into being From *A Celtic Advent* by John Birch

Placed stars into the heavens And designed a butterfly's wing

Is the God who entrusted his life To the care of ordinary people

Became vulnerable that we might know How strong is the power of love

A mystery so deep it is impossible to grasp A mystery so beautiful it is impossible to ignore.

The Lord's name be praised **May it be praised.** 

Amen

Prayer of the Day

Flor Vélez-Díaz Ben McConaughy

God of hope, who brought love into this world, be the love that dwells between us.

God of hope, who brought peace into this world, be the peace that dwells between us.

God of hope, who brought joy into this world, be the joy that dwells between us.

God of hope, the rock we stand upon, be the center, the focus of our lives, always, and particularly this Advent time.

We offer to God our prayers for hope, for love, for peace, and for joy.

And now we offer up the prayers and concerns of our lives, speaking them aloud or entering them in the chat section of Zoom.

Scripture: Luke 1:46-55 Ben McConaughy

Reflection Ben McConaughy

Blessing Chip Hardwick