

**“Cultivating the Capacity for Joy”**  
October 14, 2007

**Opening Song ~ “Hallelujah, Praise We the Lord”**

**Welcome and Joys -- Rev. Julia**

**Interfaith Responsive Reading**

**Reader:** We gather here as an Interfaith Community  
To share and celebrate the gift of life together

*All: Some of us gather as the Children of Israel  
Some of us gather in the name of Jesus of Nazareth  
Some of us gather influenced by each*

**Reader:** However we come, and whoever we are  
May we be moved, In our time together  
To experience that sense of Divine presence in each of us  
Evoked by our worship together

*All: And to know in the wisdom of our hearts  
That deeper unity in which all are one.*

**Opening Song ~ “This is the Day That the Lord Has Made”**

This is the day  
This is the day  
That the Lord has made.  
We will rejoice  
We will rejoice  
And be glad in it  
And be glad in it.  
This is the day that the Lord has made.  
We will rejoice and be glad in it.  
this is the day  
this is the day  
That the Lord has made.

**Scripture Readings**

Luke 17:12-19 and a reading from the High Holiday Mahzor

## Reflection ~ Rabbi White and Julia Jarvis

### Prayers of the People

#### Song ~ "Ordinary Miracles"

It's not that unusual  
When everything is beautiful  
It's just another ordinary miracle today

The sky knows when its time to snow  
Don't need to teach a seed to grow  
It's just another ordinary miracle today

Life is like a gift they say  
Wrapped up for you everyday  
Open up and find a way  
To give some of your own

Isn't it remarkable?  
Like every time a rain drop falls  
It's just another ordinary miracle today

Birds and winter have their fling  
But always make it home by spring  
It's just another ordinary miracle today

When you wake up everyday  
Please don't throw your dreams away  
Hold them close to your heart  
Cause we're all a part  
Of the ordinary miracle  
Ordinary miracle  
Do you want to see a miracle?

It seems so exceptional  
That things just work out after all  
It's just another ordinary miracle today

Sun comes up and shines so bright  
And disappears again at night  
It's just another ordinary miracle today

#### The Lord's Prayer

Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven  
Give us this day our daily bread

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who  
trespass against us  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil  
For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory  
Now and forever. Amen.

### **Benediction and Charge**

*All: May we go out into the world carrying with each of us the love and blessing of  
this Interfaith Community*

**Reader:** May we continue to hold on to what is good and to stand as beacons of  
light and understanding for all people.

*All: May God's spirit and peace be with us each now and forever.*

**Reader:** May the Lord bless you and keep you and bring you peace. Amen.

### **Blessing over Snack**

Hamotzi lechem min ha-aretz, we give thanks to God for bread  
Our voices raise in song together as our joyful prayer is said

Baruch atah adonai elohaynu melech ha-olam  
Hamotzi lechem min ha-aretz, Amen.

### **Closing Song ~ "How Can I Keep From Singing?"**

My life goes on in endless song  
Above earths lamentations,  
I hear the real, though far-off hymn  
That hails a new creation.

Through all the tumult and the strife  
I hear its music ringing,  
It sounds an echo in my soul.  
How can I keep from singing?

While though the tempest loudly roars,  
I hear the truth, it liveth.  
And though the darkness round me close,  
Songs in the night it giveth.

No storm can shake my inmost calm,  
While to that rock I'm clinging.  
Since love is lord of heaven and earth  
How can I keep from singing?