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Service Leader: Lynn Madsen
Celebrant: Steve Clem

Our modern way of life often feels tense, competitive, and driven by fear of loss. Surveys (and the bestseller list) suggest that we are often lonely and unfulfilled, searching for a better way. Interpersonal, political, and environmental violence is endemic in our country. The tech bro-oligarchs tell us that salvation is coming with the next shiny breakthrough. Is there an older wisdom, a different cultural and spiritual paradigm, that offers a healthier way to live?

Gathering the Community

Pre-service Announcement Loop
Gathering Music: "Sacred Circle" by Heather Pierson
Welcome
Announcements
Land Acknowledgment words by Tȟašúŋke Witkó aka Crazy Horse

Affirming Our Connections

Opening Congregational Song: "One Good Day" by Solomon Hayes
Call to Worship: Tewa Pueblo Prayer
Chalice Lighting words by Mary Hunter Austin

I arise facing East, I am asking toward the light
I am asking that my day shall be beautiful with light
I am asking that the place where my feet are shall be light
That as far as I can see I shall follow it aright
I am asking for the courage to go forward through the shadow
I am asking for the light

Centering

Time For All Ages: "The Wendigo"
Singing the Children to Class: (optional)

Now, go with each other to find meaning in the spirit of love that we share.

Sharing and Honoring
Reflective Music: "Wisdom In My Bones" by Heather Pierson
Silent Meditation or Prayer

Seeking Wisdom & Inspiration

Readings:

- "Combing" by Gladys Cardiff
- Words by Ota Kte aka Luther Standing Bear
- Words by Ohiyesa aka Charles Alexander Eastman
- "The Old Ways" by Echo lyah

Sermon: "How to Reindigenize Your Soul" - Lynn Madsen

Returning to the World

Offering
Offertory Music: Improvisation
Closing Congregational Song: "All My Life's a Circle" by Harry Chapin
Benediction words by Chief Yellow Lark

Chalice Extinguishing:
We extinguish this flame,
but not the light of truth,
the warmth of community, or the fire of commitment.
These we carry in our hearts and embody in our lives,
Until we are together again.

Closing Song: "Carry the Flame"
Coffee Hour

Send your offering via PayPal

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