



## Grace Episcopal Church

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 4, 2021 | 8:00 & 9:30am

Ministers | All of Us

Rector | Wren Blessing

Curate | Stephen Crippen

Music | Martin Cockcroft

Tribe | Maple

### Heart to Heart

It's neither red  
Nor sweet.  
It doesn't melt  
or turn over,  
break or harden,  
so it can't feel  
pain,  
yearning,  
regret.

It doesn't have  
a tip to spin on,  
it isn't even  
shapely—  
just a thick clutch  
of muscle,  
lopsided,  
mute. Still,  
I feel it inside  
its cage sounding a dull tattoo:  
*I want, I want—*

but I can't open it:  
there's no key.  
I can't wear it  
on my sleeve,  
or tell you from  
the bottom of it  
how I feel. Here,  
it's all yours, now—  
but you'll have  
to take me,  
too.

—Rita Dove

# Gathering Song | Be More Quiet Now

By David Crowder. 8 and 9:30am

Be more quiet now and wait for the words to say

## A Call to Worship

Celebrant Come all you people, with songs of praise.

**All We raise our voices.**

Celebrant Come all you people, seeking justice and peace.

**All We open our hearts.**

Celebrant Come all you people, our God is near.

**All We come with thanksgiving.**

## Opening Song | Lord of All Hopefulness

Verses 1-3. SLANE, text: Jan Struther. 9:30am only

1. Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2. Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3. Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4. Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,

Whose trust, e - ver child - like, no cares can de - stroy,  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,  
Your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,  
Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,

Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,  
Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,

Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

## The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

God of faithfulness, you walk with us in the way that leads to life. Renew in us love for you and for our neighbor, and through us, manifest the healing, joy, and steadfastness of your Spirit. **Amen.**

*We are seated for the reading.*

## The First Reading | Ezekiel 2:1-5

God said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when God spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet: and I heard God speaking to me. God said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

*After the reading, the reader will say*

The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

*We stand and say the Psalm.*

## Psalm | 123

To you I lift up my eyes, to you enthroned in the heavens.

**As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters,  
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,**

So our eyes look to the Lord our God, until he show us his mercy,

**Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy,**

**for we have had more than enough of contempt,**

Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,

and of the derision of the proud.

*We are seated for the second reading.*

## **The Second Reading** | 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

*After the reading, the Reader will say*

The Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel Song** | **Love Take a Walk with Me**

*We stand and sing. Words and music by Charles Murphy. 9:30am only.*

**Love take a walk with me.  
Love take a walk with me.  
Love take a walk with me.  
Oh spirit, guide my feet.**

**Hope take a walk with me.  
Hope take a walk with me.  
Hope take a walk with me.  
Oh, spirit, guide my feet.**

**Joy take a walk with me.  
Joy take a walk with me.  
Joy take a walk with me.  
Oh spirit, guide my feet.**

*The Gospel is introduced by saying*

**Celebrant** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**All** **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Gospel | Mark 6:1-13**

Jesus left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics.

He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

*After the Gospel the Celebrant says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

**All** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **The Homily**

# Affirmation of Faith

*We stand and say*

**We believe in God above us,  
maker and sustainer of all life,  
of sun and moon,  
of water and earth,  
of all humanity.**

**We believe in God beside us,  
Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh,  
born of a woman's womb, servant of the poor,  
he was tortured and nailed to a tree.  
Knowing full passion and deep sorrow, he died forsaken.  
He descended into the earth to the place of death.  
On the third day he rose from the tomb.  
He ascended into heaven to be everywhere present,  
and his Kingdom will one day be known.**

**We believe in God within us,  
the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire,  
life-giving breath of the Church.  
She is the Spirit of healing and forgiveness,  
source of resurrection and of life everlasting. Amen.**

*Adapted from the Iona Abbey Worship Book.*

## The Prayers of the People

Have mer - cy on\_\_\_ me. Have mer - cy on\_\_\_ me.  
Oh, help my un - be - lief. Oh, help my un - be - lief.

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Oh, Lord, have mer\_\_\_cy. Oh, Lord, have mer\_\_\_\_\_cy.

The image shows musical notation for the hymn 'The Prayers of the People'. It consists of two staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the first two lines of lyrics, and the second staff contains the next two lines. The lyrics are: 'Have mer - cy on\_\_\_ me. Have mer - cy on\_\_\_ me. Oh, help my un - be - lief. Oh, help my un - be - lief.' and 'Oh, Lord, have mer\_\_\_cy. Oh, Lord, have mer\_\_\_\_\_cy.' The music is simple and melodic, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C).

*Song at 9:30am only. Words and music by Sandra McCracken.*

Leader I ask your prayers for all people, that our unity in God's love may be revealed.  
*We offer prayers for all people, silently or aloud.*

Lord, in your mercy,

**All hear our prayer.**

Leader I ask your prayers for this nation, that we will share freely the blessings of this land, and follow the way of justice and peace.

*We offer prayers for the nation, silently or aloud.*

Lord, in your mercy,

**All hear our prayer.**

Leader I ask your prayers for the earth and all living creatures, that we will work together for the restoration and protection of all creation.

*We offer prayers for the earth, silently or aloud.*

Lord, in your mercy,

**All hear our prayer.**

Leader I ask for your prayers for this congregation, our neighbors, and our partners in ministry, that we will extend our hands in friendship and loving service.

*We offer prayers for this community, silently or aloud.*

Lord, in your mercy,

**All hear our prayer.**

Leader I ask for your prayers for all who are sick, lonely, depressed, or afraid; for all who seek guidance, strength, or comfort; and for all whose needs are known to God alone.

*Those on our prayer list are named. We offer prayers for those who suffer, silently or aloud.*

Lord, in your mercy,

**All hear our prayer.**

Leader I ask your prayers for all who have died, and for all who mourn, that we may trust the promise of resurrection.

*We offer prayers for those who have died, silently or aloud.*

Lord, in your mercy,

**All hear our prayer.**

Have mer - cy on\_\_\_ me. Have mer-cy on\_\_\_ me.  
Oh, help my un - be - lief. Oh, help my un - be - lief.  
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Oh, Lord, have mer\_\_\_cy. Oh, Lord, have mer\_\_\_\_\_cy.

# The Peace

*We conclude these prayers with the sharing of God's peace. We remain socially distanced as we greet one another. 8 and 9:30.*

Celebrant     The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All            And also with you.**

*After the peace, we remain standing.*

*For those at Grace in person, offerings may be placed near the entry to the church. For those at Grace online, offerings may be made by following this link: [www.gracehere.org/online-giving/](http://www.gracehere.org/online-giving/)*

## **Offertory Song | Battle Hymn of the Republic**

*Prophetic passages from Isaiah and Revelation inspired abolitionist writer Julia Ward Howe to pen these words in 1862— words Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. frequently cited in his speeches advocating for Civil Rights. Music: Traditional.*

*Offered by Stephanie Coates. 9:30am only.*

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the lord  
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored  
He has loosed his fateful lightening with his terrible swift sword his truth is marching on

Glory, Glory hallelujah  
Glory, Glory hallelujah  
Glory, Glory hallelujah  
His truth is marching on

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat  
He has sifted through the hearts of men before his judgment seat  
Oh be swift my soul to answer him be jubilant my feet  
While God is marching on

Chorus

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea  
In the glory of his bosom that transcended you and me  
As he died to make men holy  
Let us live to make men free  
While God is marching on

Chorus 2x

# The Great Thanksgiving

*We stand as the table is set with the gifts of our hearts and hands.*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**All And also with you.**

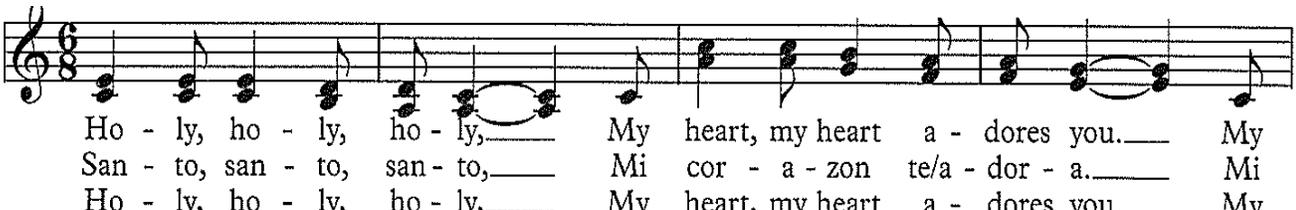
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon and stars; earth, wind and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away. And yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, My heart, my heart a - dores you. My  
San - to, san - to, san - to, Mi cor - a - zon te/a - dor - a. Mi  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, My heart, my heart a - dores you. My



heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly Lord.  
cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to/e - res Se - nor.  
heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly Lord.

*Traditional Argentine. Translated by Josué Alvarez and Debi Tyree*

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus, the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, gave it to them and said: "Drink this, all of you. This is my blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now, gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, 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 thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,**

**for ever and ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

*We are now invited to share the gifts of Communion. As space opens, move with your household to a marked place in front of the altar to receive Eucharistic bread. Please know that at Grace Church all are invited to receive the Eucharist. This sacrament is God's free gift. Please tell your server if you prefer a wafer that is free from gluten, soy, or dairy.*

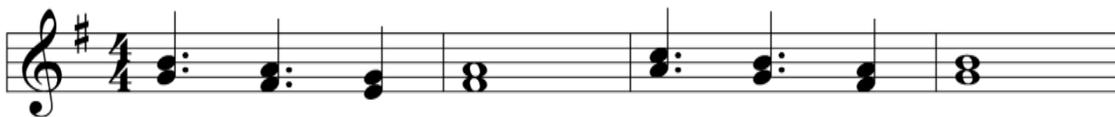
Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## Music during Communion | God Welcomes All

*Text: John Bell, 2008. Music: South African. 8 and 9:30am.*



God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;



God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

# I Am Walking a Path of Peace

Words and music Janet Bauman Tissandier

♩ = 84

The musical score is in 4/4 time with a tempo of 84 beats per minute. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a bass clef staff. The melody in the treble clef starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note Bb4. The lyrics 'I am walk-ing a path of peace\*' are written below the treble clef staff. The second system continues the melody with notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. The lyrics 'I am walk-ing a path of' are written below. The third system has a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat and a bass clef staff. The melody in the treble clef starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note Bb4. The lyrics 'peace\*' are written below. The fourth system continues the melody with notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. The lyrics 'I am walk-ing a path of peace\*, lead me home,' are written below. The fifth system has a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat and a bass clef staff. The melody in the treble clef starts with a quarter rest, followed by a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note Bb4. The lyrics 'peace\*' are written below. The sixth system continues the melody with notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. The lyrics 'I am walk-ing a path of peace\*, lead me home,' are written below.

C G/B Am C/E F

I am walk-ing a path of peace\*, I am walk-ing a path of

G Am Em<sup>7</sup> F C

peace\*, I am walk-ing a path of peace\*, lead me home,

\*|oy, hope, love, grace

# Can't Be Long

Words and music by Barbara Hall

The musical score is in 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. The first system has a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a bass clef staff. The melody in the treble clef starts with a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note Bb4. The lyrics '1. Well I think I'll go down\_\_\_ to the ri- ver\_ and let that wa-ter wash o-ver me,\_\_\_' are written below. The second system continues the melody with notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. The lyrics 'Yes I think I'll go down\_\_\_ to the ri ver\_ and let that wa-ter wash o-ver me,\_\_\_' are written below. The third system continues the melody with notes G4, A4, Bb4, and C5. The lyrics ''Cause it can't be long,\_\_\_ no it can't be long,\_\_\_ un-til my Lord\_\_\_ re-mem-bers me.' are written below.

1. Well I think I'll go down\_\_\_ to the ri- ver\_ and let that wa-ter wash o-ver me,\_\_\_

Yes I think I'll go down\_\_\_ to the ri ver\_ and let that wa-ter wash o-ver me,\_\_\_

'Cause it can't be long,\_\_\_ no it can't be long,\_\_\_ un-til my Lord\_\_\_ re-mem-bers me.

2. Well I think I'll go into the forest and let that darkness rush over me.  
Yes I think I'll go into the forest and let that darkness rush over me.  
'Cause it can't be long, no it can't be long until my Lord remembers me.
3. Well I think I'll go into the mountains and let that cold wind cut through me.  
Yes I think I'll go into the mountains and let that cold wind cut through me.  
'Cause it can't be long, no it can't be long until my Lord remembers me.
4. Well I think I'll go into the valley and let that green grass grow over me.  
Yes I think I'll go into the valley and let that green grass grow over me.  
'Cause it can't be long, I hope it won't be long until my Lord remembers me.  
'Cause it can't be long, I hope it won't be long until my Lord remembers me.

## **Our Prayer after Communion**

*We stand and say together*

**Eternal God,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

*The Celebrant offers a blessing.*

Go simply, lightly, gently. Go with obedience. Go with love. And may the blessing of the Triune God, who was and is and is to come, rest upon you and remain with you now and always. **Amen.** *(Adapted from a blessing written by Richard Carter.)*

## **Closing Song | Welcome Table**

*As we sing Welcome Table," an African American Spiritual composed and sung by slaves, we remember that too often all people have not been seated together at the welcome table. We are sent forth to work for justice with those who have been and continue to be excluded. We remain standing and sing together, 9:30am only.*

**We're gonna sit at the welcome table**

**Oh we're gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days, hallelujah**

**We're gonna sit at the welcome table, sit at the welcome table one of these days,  
one of these days**

**We're gonna feast on milk and honey**

**Oh we're gonna feast on milk and honey one of these days hallelujah**

**We're gonna feast on milk and honey, feast on milk and honey one of these days,  
one of these days**

**All God's children gonna sit together**

**All God's children gonna sit together one of these days, hallelujah**

**All God's children gonna sit together, all of God's children gonna sit together  
one of these days, one of these days**

**We're gonna sit at the welcome table**

**Oh we're gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days, hallelujah**

**We're gonna sit at the welcome table, sit at the welcome table one of these days,  
one of these days**

**Sit at the welcome table one of these days, one of these days**

**We're gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days, one of these days.**

# The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

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## Learning to love America

because it has no pure products

because the Pacific Ocean sweeps along the coastline  
because the water of the ocean is cold  
and because land is better than ocean

because I say we rather than they

because I live in California  
I have eaten fresh artichokes  
and jacaranda bloom in April and May

because my senses have caught up with my body  
my breath with the air it swallows  
my hunger with my mouth

because I walk barefoot in my house

because I have nursed my son at my breast  
because he is a strong American boy  
because I have seen his eyes redden when he is asked who he is  
because he answers I don't know

because to have a son is to have a country  
because my son will bury me here  
because countries are in our blood and we bleed them

because it is late and too late to change my mind  
because it is time.

—Shirley Geok-Lin Lim

# News from Grace Church, Bainbridge Island

July 4, 2021

..... inclusion service discovery gratitude .....

## Upcoming Events & Programs

### **July 4 | Poetry as Prayer Practice | Directly after the 9:30 service | Zoom only**

Every 1st and 3rd Sunday the group will gather in a separate Zoom session after the 9:30 service.

Contact Jon Quitslund: jonquitslund@att.net. Zoom meeting link:

<https://zoom.us/j/96243490290?pwd=eGJua2YyNm1vT1k2QlpZeVFUnFmQT09>

Meeting ID: 962 4349 0290; Passcode: 395554

### **July 7 | Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study | 10:30 am | Zoom only**

Please find links to the Zoom login and worship bulletin on our website: [gracehere.org/join-us-for-onlineworship-at-grace/](https://gracehere.org/join-us-for-onlineworship-at-grace/)

### **July 11 | In Person Eucharist | 8:00 am and 9:30 am**

We will gather at Grace for in person Eucharist. While it is an in-person service, our 9:30 liturgy will be also broadcast via Zoom, at the link on our website: <https://www.gracehere.org/join-us-for-online-worship-at-grace/>

### **July 9 | Open Mic for Caregivers | 4:00-5:00pm**

Our honored speaker will be Janie Ekberg, caregiver and seamstress extraordinaire! (Please note change of date due to July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday.) Contact Florrie Munat ([fmunat@aol.com](mailto:fmunat@aol.com)) for more information or to suggest a future topic.

### **July 13 | Reclaiming Rest: Recognizing the Connections between Sabbath-keeping and Justice | 7:00 pm, by Zoom**

Author Kate Rademacher will join us to talk about her exploration of Sabbath-keeping including linkages with racial and economic justice. This session will include practical ideas and strategies for ways we can incorporate true, restorative rest into our lives on a regular basis. Read more about Kate here: <https://www.katerademacher.com/> Join our Zoom meeting on July 13:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89859783814?pwd=VFczMWNVcVNNYIBZamFYVTIIVXR0Zz09;>

Meeting ID: 898 5978 3814; Passcode: 238711

### **July 15, 22, 29 and August 12, 19, 26 | Draw Near: Conversations Between Women | 12:00 – 1:30 pm**

Women of all ages are invited to draw near in friendship and storytelling this summer. We will begin each session with a meditation from a woman in our community then enter into invitational small group conversation, exploring questions that open up sharing and deep listening. Feel free to invite friends! To sign up for July or August sessions (or both), please contact Kim Cockroft: [kim@gracehere.org](mailto:kim@gracehere.org).