# **Gathered Together to Become a New Church**

## February 4-5, 2022

Welcome to the Mtn – come in where it is warm and where others are gathered together waiting for you to join us!

Below we offer you each an outline that might guide us this weekend – we offer this as a possible path and not as a rigid timeline. As always, we want to create space that might allow the Spirit and our time together to take us where it wants to go.

We begin with an invitation to and recognition of the importance of creating a sacred space without distractions for yourself and each other. We encourage you to find a quiet corner that nurtures you, makes you feel safe, and allows you to feel "welcomed" into the Mountain community as we begin this journey together... perhaps a special chair, or pillows on the floor, a drink nearby...you may want to light a candle in your home as another way to foster spiritual centering and readiness.

## Friday 2/4/21 7:00-8:30 pm

**Entrance** Instrumental music:

**Introductions:** What might be a word or two to express the "why" of what brings you to this weekend, the heart of what makes you feel connected to the Mtn vision and mission statement?

**Reading** of First Notions leading into quiet time for meditation:

Reading of Gospel Lectio: 2 readings of the Gospel below

Gospel Mk 6:30-34

The Apostles gathered together with Jesus

and reported all they had done and taught.

He said to them,

"Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while."

People were coming and going in great numbers,

and they had no opportunity even to eat.

So they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place.

People saw them leaving and many came to know about it.

They hastened there on foot from all the towns

and arrived at the place before them.

When Jesus disembarked and saw the vast crowd,

his heart was moved with pity for them,

for they were like sheep without a shepherd;

and he began to teach them many things.

#### **Conversatio:** Moving into break out rooms:

Below are some suggested reflective questions that you might want to use in your small groups – your group may also be led to move in a different direction.

What are you dreaming of for the Mountain? What do you long for from the Mountain?

### A return to large group sharing:

#### Bridging our agenda for Saturday:

**Petitions:** 

Lord's Prayer:

Saturday 2/5/22 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

9:00 – 10:00 – morning prayer

Good morning! We invite you to bring a cup of coffee or tea, a muffin or other breakfast food or drink to allow us to share a beginning meal in our ancient Franciscan tradition of breaking bread together.

**Entrance** Instrumental music playing:

Blessing of food:

Introductions:

Meditation: Be Still and know that I am God

Gospel Lk 5:1-11

While the crowd was pressing in on Jesus and listening to the word of God,
he was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret.
He saw two boats there alongside the lake;
the fishermen had disembarked and were washing their nets.
Getting into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon,
he asked him to put out a short distance from the shore.
Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.
After he had finished speaking, he said to Simon,
"Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch."
Simon said in reply,
"Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing,
but at your command I will lower the nets."
When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish
and their nets were tearing.
They signaled to their partners in the other boat

to come to help them.

They came and filled both boats

so that the boats were in danger of sinking.

When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at the knees of Jesus and said,

"Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man."

For astonishment at the catch of fish they had made seized him

and all those with him,

and likewise James and John, the sons of Zebedee,

who were partners of Simon.

Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid;

from now on you will be catching men."

When they brought their boats to the shore,

they left everything and followed him.

#### **Conversatio:** Moving into break out rooms:

What stayed with me from last night that I am still listening to?

A return to large group sharing: What are the big things we heard to take forward?

Silence, Thank You, Final Blessing:

Bridge to BOT Agenda:

• 10:00 – 10:45 – Management and Ministry team report

- 10:45 11:45 Ten minutes each for brief reviews of all initiatives, what has been done so far, who else should we invite in, is anything missing?
- 11:45 12:15 Executive Session
- 12:15 1:00 Break for lunch
- 1:00 3:00 Mid-day prayer followed by committee topics in need of board review
  - $\circ$  Buildings and Grounds
  - $\circ$  Personnel
  - Board Development
  - o Finance
  - $\circ~$  Council for Spirit and Life
  - $\circ$  Communications
  - o Advancement
- Any other business?
- Closing prayer