

**MORNING DEVOTIONS**  
PW Churchwide Leadership Training  
Albuquerque, New Mexico ♦ Wednesday, March 14, 2007

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**GATHERING**

**Lighting the Christ Candle**

**Call to Worship (Unison)**

Leader: With what shall we come before the Holy One, and bow ourselves before  
God on high?

People: **God has shown us what is good.**

Leader: What does the Holy One require of us?

People: **To do justice, to love kindness and to walk humbly with our God.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

**Hymn**           “Every Time I Feel the Spirit” (see insert)

**Responsive Reading**           *Psalm 105:1–6*

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD and call on God’s name; make known God’s  
deeds among the peoples.

People: **Sing to God, sing praises to God; tell of all God’s wonderful works.**

Leader: Glory in God’s holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD  
rejoice.

People: **Seek the LORD and God’s strength; seek God’s presence continually.**

Leader: Remember the wonderful works God has done, God’s miracles, and the  
judgments God uttered,

People: **O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.**

**THE WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Reading**           *Proverbs 4:22–23*

**Hymn**           “Spirit of the Living God” (see insert)

**Scripture Reading**           *Romans 12:9–13*

**Message**           “Fire in the Heart”

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### Prayer (Unison)

Eternal and Almighty God, we give you thanks for all your faithful people who have followed your will in a grand procession of praise throughout the world and down through the centuries, into our own time and place. We hear their stories in the pages of scripture, in the records of history, in the recollections of our families and in our own childhood memories. As we remember these people, inspire us by your Spirit to join their ranks and follow our Lord through life, to be bold as they were, and brave as well, witnessing to your righteous truth and generous love. Give us grace, O God, that we will leave a legacy of faithfulness to encourage and challenge those who follow us along the way of discipleship; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Hymn**            “The Summons” (see next page)

## SENDING

### Charge and Blessing

**Leader:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God!

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**Worship Leader**—Judia Foreman, Synod Representative, Synod of the Sun

**Song Leader**—Sharon Cely, Synod Representative, Synod of the Rocky Mountains

**Accompanist**—Jean Vieten, Synod Representative, Synod of Southern California and Hawaii

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