Synod Sunday - Litany

Hope through connection, unhindered by walls

1Thes 1:3 "*We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ "*

Litany

O God of hope, we find our connections through the peace to be found in your presence.

**Draw us near to you.**

O God of connections, we find our hope through the peace that is to be found in you.

**Draw us near to you.**

O God of hope and connection, we find you in our connections to each other, unhindered by walls of isolation and division, as we draw strength and courage from each other.

**Draw us nearer to you.**

O Christ the Son, remind us of the peace that passes all understanding as we gather together, unhindered by walls to worship together this day.

**Draw us nearer to you.**

O Christ the Son, remind us you have the power to transcend all walls and divisions that separate us from you and each other and are present with us in the upper rooms of our lives.

**Draw us nearer to you.**

O Christ the Son, you were not afraid to travel the hard roads, fight the battles that needed to be fought and to tear down walls and cast out the money changers, remind us in you all things are possible, and in you we can do all things.

**Draw us nearer to you.**

O Holy Spirit, you are the rushing winds that blows, penetrating even the tiniest spaces of time and place. Blow your peace through us all Holy Spirit and guide our ways.

**Draw us nearer to you.**

O Holy Spirit, you are the wind beneath our wings and raise us up to provide hope to the hopeless, faith to the faithless, courage to those living in fear and love wherever we travel.

**Draw us nearer to you.**

O Holy Spirit, you are the gentle breeze that guides us to our labors, strengthens our endurance and inspires our hope as we travel these days together.

**Draw us nearer to you.**

O Holy God, O Precious Son, O Holy Spirit, we give thanks this day that you have drawn us together, each of us individually and all of collectively, unhindered by walls, inspired in hope, and connected to you and to each other under the umbrella of equipping, empowering and connecting.

**Draw us nearer to you.**

O Holy God, O Precious Son, O Holy Spirit we give thanks this day for the gifts of our time, our talents, our resources, lead us to use them in all honor and glory to you as you

**Draw us nearer to you.**

**Amen.**