

## **PRAYER OF UNITY (Stand in Circle )**

**Evoking the presence of the Great Compassion,  
let us fill our hearts with our own compassion—  
towards ourselves and towards all living beings.**

**May all living beings realize**

**that they are brothers and sisters,**

**all nourished from the same source of life.**

**May we ourselves cease to be the cause of suffering to each  
other.**

**May we live in a way which will not deprive other beings  
of air water, food, shelter, or the chance to live.**

**With humility, with awareness of the existence of life,  
and of the sufferings that are going on around us,**

**let us pray for the establishment of peace**

**in our hearts and on earth. Amen. Thich Nhat Hanh**

## **COMMUNION SERVICE**

### **FINAL BLESSING**

**We extend our hands over one another in blessing:**

**May we go forth with the intent of living fully, loving  
wastefully, and being all we can be!**

### **CLOSING SONG: *Peace Is Flowing Like a River***

**Peace is flowing like a river,  
Flowing out through you and me,  
Flowing out into the desert,  
Setting all the captives free.**

**Love is flowing like a river...**

**Joy is flowing like a river...**

**Alleluia, Alleluia 6 x**

**Peace is flowing like a river...**

# *Namaste Church of the Vineyard*



*Contemporary Celebration Liturgy*

*October 19, 2008*

*'We Honor the Divinity Within You'*

## **WELCOME AND GREETING**

### **OPENING SONG: "You Are the Face of God"**

You are the face of God  
I hold you in my heart  
You a part of me  
You are the face of God (3x)

### **GREETING OF PEACE: 'Namaste'**

## **PENITENTIAL RITE**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

**READING: Mt. 22:15-21**

**HOMILY: *What Our Presidential Candidates  
Have In Common With Jesus***

## **PRAYER OF PETITIONS**

**May each of us be aware of the Spirit of God within us today,  
inviting us to a fullness of life, we pray.**

**Response: Amen! Amen!**

**Let us pray for world peace.**

**Response: Amen! Amen!**

**Let us pray for inner peace.**

**Response: Amen! Amen!**

**Let us pray for an abundance of health, prosperity, and joy.**

**Response: Amen! Amen!**

## **CREED**

**We believe in God, the power of life, love and being  
that flows through the universe.**

**We believe in Jesus, who revealed the good news  
of our connectedness with God and with all people,  
who was compassionate and stood up for justice,  
even if this meant losing his life,  
who gave people an experience of God  
by demonstrating this power of life, love and being.  
Through his words and example,  
we believe that we too have this power  
and the capacity to give people an experience of God  
by living life fully,  
loving with my whole heart,  
and striving to be all we can be.  
we believe in the communion of saints,  
who are a people walking together,  
engaged in the search for meaning  
and the quest to be connected  
with the Source and Sustainer of all that exists.**

## **OFFERTORY**

**Soloist: Richard Casabonne – 'Feeling Good'**

## **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**