

# eleven fifty-nine

## A time to gather

We are invited to visit with one another as the space is transformed.

## Gathering music

## A welcoming word

## Candle of Peace

*Leader: So let us light candles.*

*People: Candles of joy,  
despite all sadness,*

*Leader: Candles of hope  
where despair keeps watch.*

*People: Candles of courage  
for fears ever present,*

*Leader: Candles of peace  
for tempest-tossed days,*

*People: Candles of grace  
to ease heavy burdens.*

*Leader: Candles of love  
to inspire all our living,*

*People: Candles that will burn  
all the year long.*

## A Bible sharing: Matthew 3:1-3

## A teaching moment

## A time for prayer

Immanuel

M. Card

## A closing in song

## A sending



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First Congregational  
Church Hudson

*(Chorus)* I rejoiced when they said to me,  
“Let us go unto the house of the Lord.”  
Standing there, O Jerusalem,  
in your gates, unto the house of the Lord.

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*(Chorus)* Awesome God, holy God,  
I worship you in wonder.  
Awesome God, mighty God,  
as you draw near I'm humbled.  
By your majesty, and the mystery  
of your great love for me.

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*(Vs. 1)* All I once held dear, built my life upon,  
and this world reveres and wars to own,  
all I once thought gain, I have counted loss,  
spent and worthless now compared to this.

*(Chorus)* Knowing you, Jesus, knowing you —  
there is no greater thing.

You're my all, you're the best,  
you're my joy, my righteousness.  
And I love you, Lord.

*(Vs. 2)* Now my heart's desire is to know you more,  
to be found in you and known as yours.  
To possess by faith what I could not earn,  
all surpassing gift of righteousness. *(Chorus)*

*(Vs. 3)* Oh, to know the pow'r of your risen life,  
and to know you in your suffering,  
to become like you in your death, my Lord,  
so with you to live and never die. *(Chorus)*

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*(Vs. 1)* Soon and very soon,  
we are going to see the King (sing 3X)  
Alleluia, Alleluia, we're going to see the King

*(Vs. 2)* No more cryin' there,  
we are going to see the King...

*(Vs. 3)* No more dyin' there,  
we are going to see the King...

*(Vs. 4)* Soon and very soon,  
we are going to see the King...

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Brian King, electric bass  
Mark Gonder, drums  
Jon Hedges, guitar

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**Wherever you are on your  
journey... you are welcome here.**