



DISTRICT SYNOD | HYBRID

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Saturday 12th September 2025

9:30am-12:30pm

Huntington Methodist Church | Zoom

This is a **kierie**



Scripture Reading — Joshua 4:4–7

Then Joshua called the twelve whom he had appointed from the Israelites, one from each tribe. Joshua said to them, “Pass on before the ark of the Lord your God into the middle of the Jordan, and each of you take up a stone on his shoulder... When your children ask in time to come, ‘What do those stones mean to you?’ then you shall tell them...”

The background is a solid dark purple. On the left side, there are two overlapping circles: a larger one in a reddish-brown hue and a smaller one in a darker red. On the right side, there are two more overlapping circles: a medium-sized one in a muted purple and a smaller one in a brownish-orange. At the bottom of the image, a thick, wavy line in a vibrant red color curves across the width of the frame.

Remember

Christian memory should give us **roots, not chains.**

The background is a solid dark purple. On the left side, there are two large, overlapping circles in shades of brown and red. On the right side, there are three smaller, overlapping circles in shades of brown and red. At the bottom, there is a thick, wavy line in a bright red color that spans across the width of the image.

Reimagine

Reimagining begins when we believe that the Holy Spirit is not
confined to our memories.

God is already waiting for us in the future.

So, we reimagine with hope.

Risk

I hope we can become a District where it is safe to try — and even safe sometimes to fail — because we would rather risk something for the Gospel than preserve everything through fear.
So, we **risk with faith.**

Review

Review is not about asking, “**Who got it wrong?**”

It is about asking: **What have we learned? Where did we see God? Whom did we hear? Whom did we miss? And what might we do differently next time?**

A Church willing to risk must also be a Church willing to learn.

So, we **review with humility.**



May this be how we journey together:

Remembering with gratitude.

Reimagining with hope.

Risking with faith.

Reviewing with humility.



Responsive Prayer

Leader: God who has travelled with us,
All: Help us to remember with gratitude.

A group of people, mostly older adults, are gathered in a church or similar setting, holding lit candles. The scene is dimly lit, with the primary light source being the flames of the candles. The people are dressed in casual to semi-formal attire. The overall atmosphere is solemn and hopeful. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

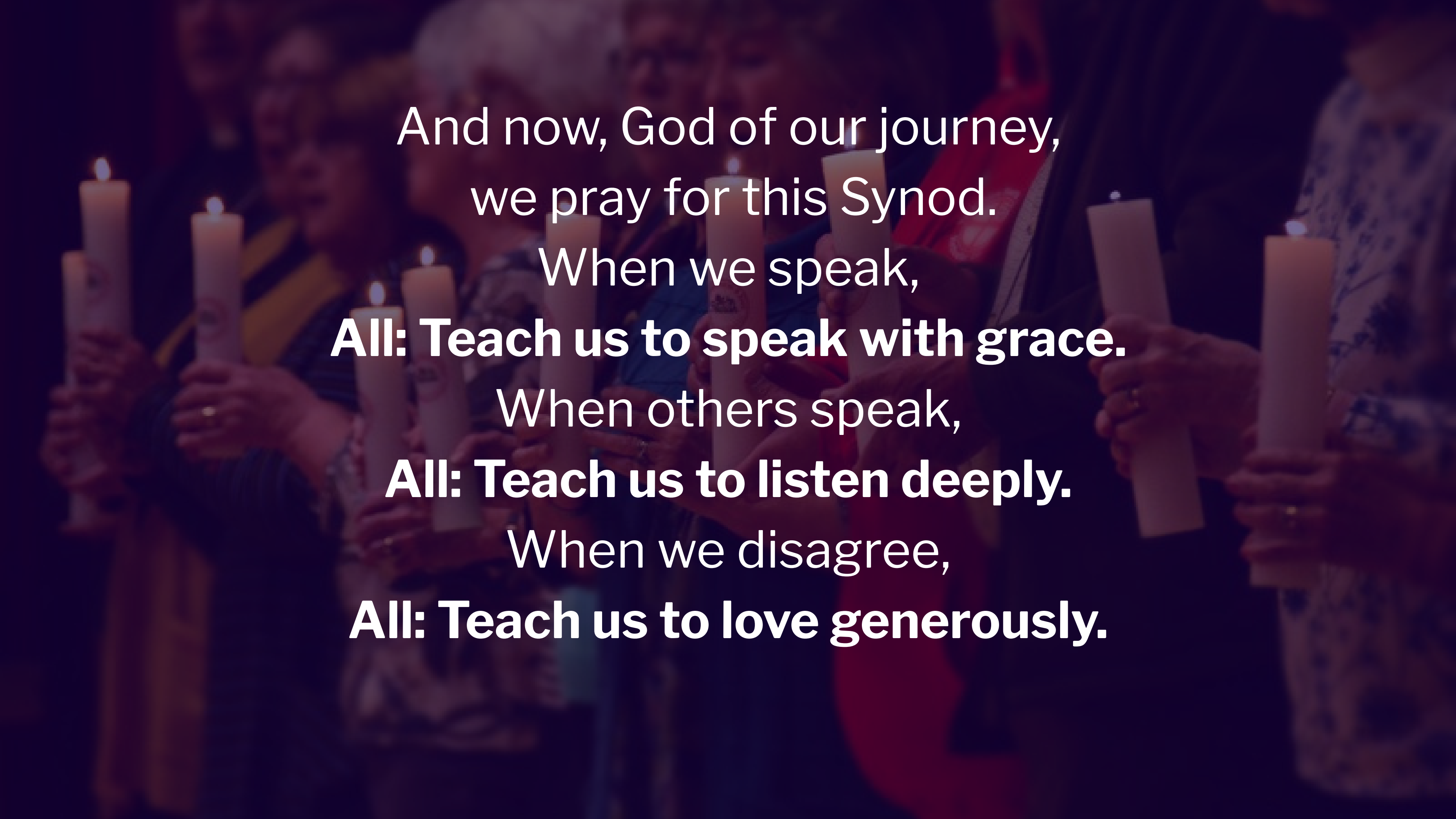
Leader: God who goes before us,
All: Help us to reimagine with hope.

A group of people, mostly women, are holding lit candles in a church setting. The image is dimly lit, with the primary light source being the flames of the candles. The people are dressed in casual to semi-formal attire. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

Leader: God who calls us onwards,
All: Help us to risk with faith.

A group of people, mostly older adults, are gathered in a church or similar setting. They are holding tall, white, lit candles. The scene is dimly lit, with the primary light source being the flames of the candles. The people are dressed in casual to semi-formal attire. The overall atmosphere is solemn and reverent.

Leader: God who is still teaching us,
All: Help us to review with humility.

A group of people, mostly women, are holding lit candles. The background is dark with a large, faint red letter 'G'. The text is overlaid in white.

And now, God of our journey,
we pray for this Synod.

When we speak,

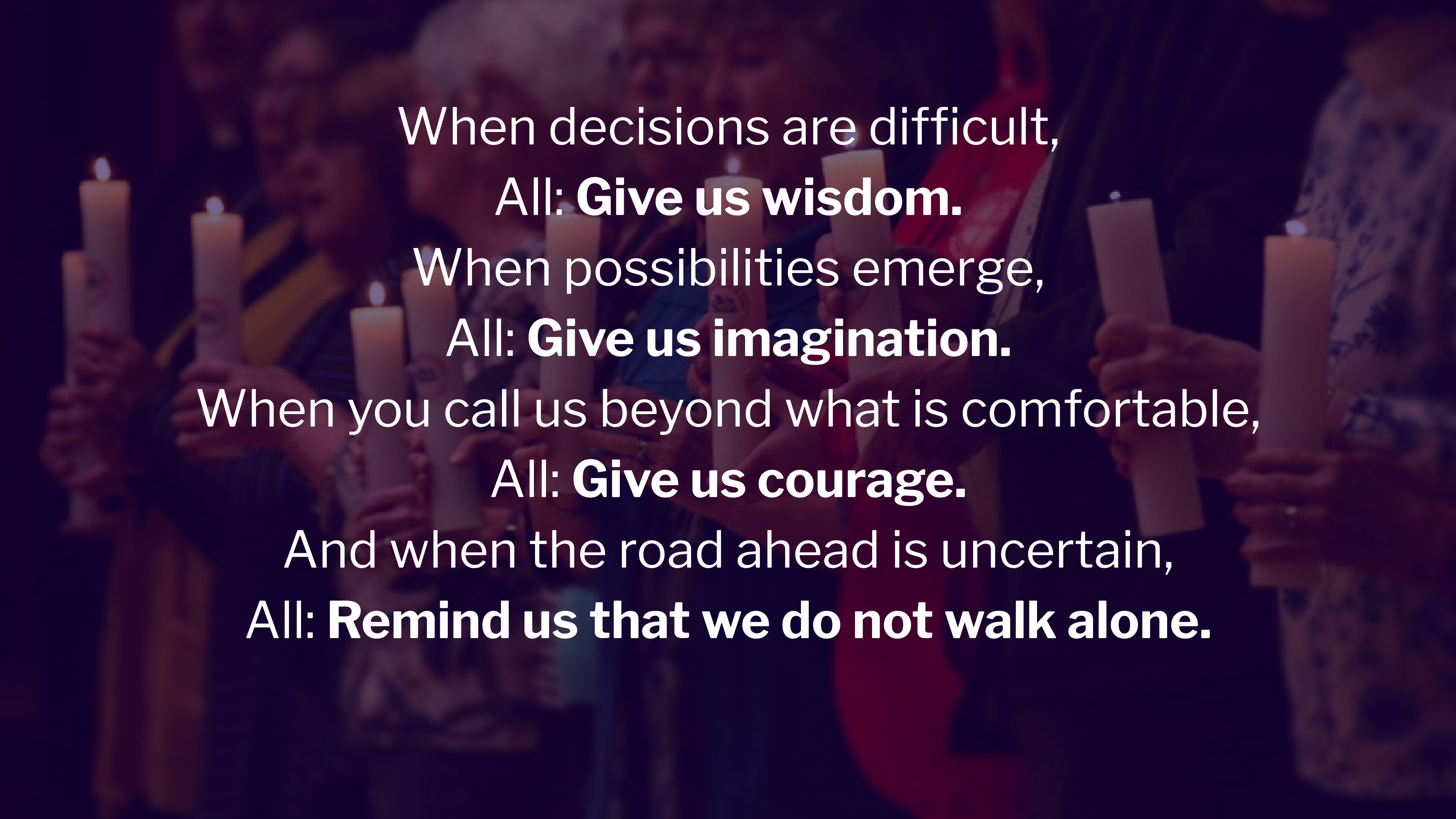
All: Teach us to speak with grace.

When others speak,

All: Teach us to listen deeply.

When we disagree,

All: Teach us to love generously.

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When decisions are difficult,

All: **Give us wisdom.**

When possibilities emerge,

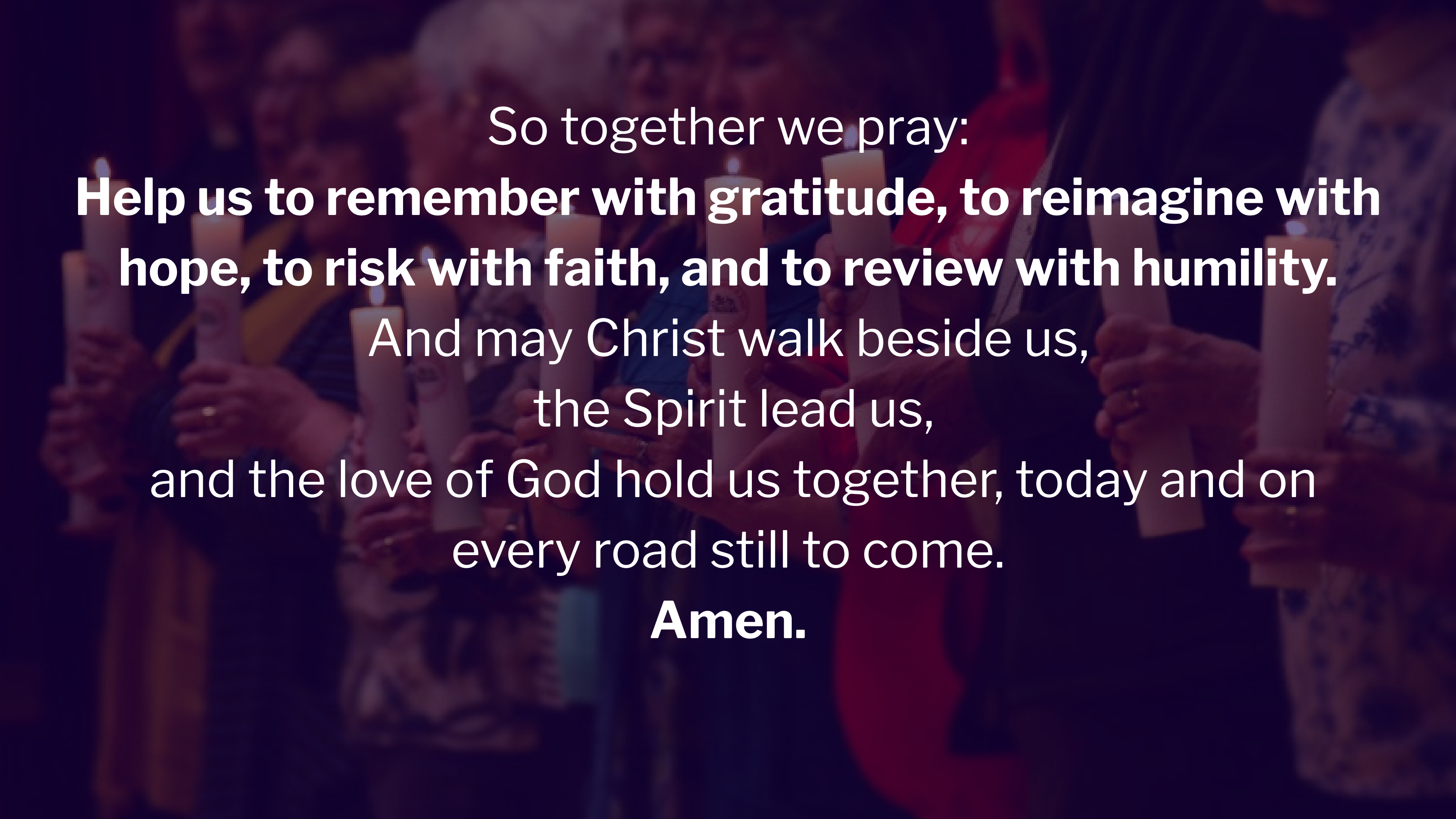
All: **Give us imagination.**

When you call us beyond what is comfortable,

All: **Give us courage.**

And when the road ahead is uncertain,

All: **Remind us that we do not walk alone.**



So together we pray:

Help us to remember with gratitude, to reimagine with hope, to risk with faith, and to review with humility.

And may Christ walk beside us,
the Spirit lead us,
and the love of God hold us together, today and on
every road still to come.

Amen.