

Greetings Merging Waters,

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As we continue in these times of challenge and of promise, I have been holding the community in my prayers. Lifting up hopes for each one of you, that you will know you are not alone. As we journey even in hard times, maybe especially at hard times, we can feel a call to ask ourselves who we are and how we express this to the world. As seekers on this journey, we look to be found and to find the Divine as well as one another on the road of life.

This week's readings, [1 Samuel 3: 1-10](#) and [John 1: 43-51](#), remind us of being sought, seen, and found but also of seeing and finding. Called, inspired, or drawn, into lives of faith through the encounter with the Holy One In All we can reflect on these passages in asking ourselves some questions:

- Where have I felt that the Divine has called me into relationship?
- Where have I found the Sacred in my relationships with others?
- When have I felt like I have been truly seen by God? By others?
- When have I felt that I have seen others through the eyes of the Spirit?
- How do we show this finding in our choices and our actions?

I look forward to continuing to engage with the scriptures together this Sunday as we expand upon how we are called.

Peace and hope,

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