

Neighbors United Signing Ceremony

May 27, 2010

Welcome

Brittany Hanson

OF BEING WOVEN, *Rumi*

The way is full of genuine sacrifice.

Opening Prayer

Rev. Kate Rohde

The thickets blocking your path are anything that keeps you from that, any fear that you may be broken into bits like a glass bottle. This road demands courage and stamina, yet it's full of footprints! Who *are* these companions? They are rungs in your ladder. Use them! With company you quicken your ascent.

Celebrating through Pictures

Community Reflections

Cait Caughey
Pr. Kip Mickelson
All

You may be happy enough going along, but with others you'll get farther, and faster.

A Reading: Of Being Woven, Rumi

Rev. Howard Dotson

Someone who goes cheerfully by himself to the customs house to pay his traveler's tax will go even more lightheartedly when friends are with him.

Signing of the Charter

Rev. Jon Sloan
Kay Lynn Goldner

Every prophet sought out companions. A wall standing alone is useless, but put three or four walls together, and they'll support a roof and keep grain dry and safe.

Closing Prayer

Pr. Tom Emmett

When ink joins with a pen, then the blank paper can say something. Rushes and reeds must be woven to be useful as a mat. If they weren't interlaced, the wind would blow them away.

Like that, God paired up creatures, and gave them friendship.