

PACIFIC SCHOOL OF RELIGION
Community Chapel
“Claiming Visibilities Hidden in Sacred Text”
Tuesday, October 14, 2025 – 11:10 am

Prelude		Patrick Sturgis
Welcome & Service Introduction		Maria Ramos Magaloni
Land Acknowledgment		Louis Knox
Opening Congregational Song		“Something Inside So Strong” <i>(back of bulletin)</i>
Prayer		Rick Martin
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 42: 6 – 7 & Matthew 5: 14 - 16	George Jaja
Reflection	“Black Unicorn” <i>Audre Lorde</i>	Desiree Frierson
Video Meditation		“Ella’s Song” <i>Sweet Honey in the Rock</i>
Reflection	“On the Pulse of the Morning”	Lee McDaniel
Video Meditation		“Gospel Night at the Strip Club” <i>Ashley McBride</i>
Reflection	“The Other Side of Silence”	Lavjay Butani
Work of the People		Louis Knox
Sending Song		“The Fire of Commitment” <i>(back of bulletin)</i>
Charge & Benediction		Ronnie McLean
Postlude		Patrick Sturgis

Gratitude to all who participated in leading today's Worship, including:

Professor EunHye So and the members of the Rhetorical Use of Texts class, our service conveners; all our student and staff worship leaders; Barbara Murray & Danny Samiu for sacred space design; the PSR Chapel Planning Committee; our Chapel Musician, Patrick Sturgis; Matthew Robinson for AV/Tech Support, Josue Carballo-Huertas for graphic support, and Operations Manager, Joseph Junsay and facilities staff for BADE setup.

CHAPEL PARTICIPATION

We hope to create a stronger Chapel Ensemble as the semester progresses. If you are specifically interested in being part of music for community worship, as a singer or instrumentalist, please contact Patrick Sturgis at psturgis@psr.edu.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS - If you have announcements you'd like to have included in the Chapel bulletin, please send them to Danny Samiu – dsamiu@ses.psr.edu by the Friday preceding the week you'd like to have them announced.

NEXT WEEK: NO CHAPEL SERVICE – Our indoor Labyrinth will be down in the BADE throughout the week for walking meditation.

Our October 28th Community Chapel will be convened by Dr. Heesung Hwang and the Sacred Commitment: Building Beloved Community in Troubled Times class. Their theme is "Claiming our Visibility as Beloved Community." COMMUNION and a TIME OF BLESSING will be celebrated with Revs. Heesung Hwang and Angela Brown as presiders.

Something Inside So Strong

The higher you build your barriers
The taller I become
The further you take my rights away
The faster I will run
You can deny me
You can decide to turn your face away
No matter, 'cause there's....

The more you refuse to hear my voice
The louder I will sing
You hide behind walls of Jericho
Your lies will come tumbling
Deny my place in time
You squander wealth that's mine
My light will shine so brightly
It will blind you
Because there's.....

Something inside so strong

I know that I can make it

Though you're doing me wrong, so wrong

You thought that my pride was gone,

Oh no

Something inside so strong,

Oh - oh oh oh oh oh

Something inside so strong!

REFRAIN

The Fire of Commitment

From the light of days remembered burns a beacon bright and clear
Guiding hands and hearts and spirits Into faith set free from fear.

Chorus:

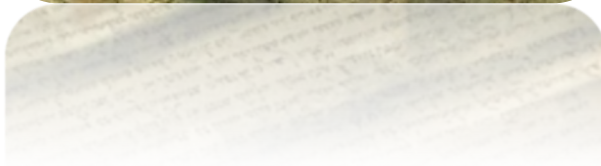
When the fire of commitment sets our mind and soul a blaze
When our hunger and our passion meet to call us on our way
When we live with deep assurance of the flame that burns within,
Then our promise finds fulfillment and our future can begin.

From the stories of our living rings a song both brave and free,
Calling pilgrims still to witness to the life of liberty.

Chorus

From the dreams of youthful vision comes a new, prophetic voice,
Which demands a deeper justice built by our courageous choice

Chorus



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