

WISDOM PROPHETIC DECLARATION

We are people of faith united by our passion for justice, commitment to community and a practice of hope. We stand together understanding that our lives and destinies are intertwined.

We come together because God calls us into relationship with one another, with our communities and with the world around us.

We come together from across the state, across faith traditions, across race, class, gender and ethnicity, and across many divides that might ordinarily keep us apart.

We come together around core faith convictions that affirm our direction and shape our vision for the future.

We come together to act for justice, build power and to transform our communities, cities and state.

We stand together in our faith:

We believe in the God-given **dignity and infinite worth of each** and every human life

We believe that we are each and all **part of a sacred community**, to which we have responsibility and from which we gain sustenance.

We believe that our faith calls us to work for **justice and liberation**, standing against all forms of oppression and inequity.

We believe we are called to be **stewards of the natural world** in all its bounty and diversity.

We believe in **shared abundance** and stand against the dominant culture of reckless consumption and consumerism for some and deprivation for others.

We believe in the **triumph of love and hope over hate and fear**.

We build power and act together, drawing courage and inspiration from our faith. We believe God has called us to live, speak and act courageously in accordance with our faith beliefs. Together we will create the community we seek for ourselves, but also build the power we need to transform the world around us. We will build the relationships and strategic capacity we need to powerfully engage and impact public decisions.

Together we declare:

Where there is division, we declare unity.

Where there is hatred, we declare love.

Where there is lack, we declare abundance.

Where there is desolation, we declare renewal.

Where there is discouragement, we declare hope.

Where there is lack of strength, we declare power!