

# Tikkun Olam 2007

March 11, 2007

**Prelude Music ~ played by Skylar Schaumberg**

**Opening Song ~ "Fixin' the World"**

*Chorus: Fixin' the world, tikkun o-lam  
Making the way for generations to come  
Fixin' the world, tikkun o-lam a-vo-dah  
She-la-nu l-ku-lam*

Once the world was perfect, a vessel was complete  
Now it lies in ruin, shattered at our feet  
The light it held was scattered all throughout the land  
Our world cannot be perfect until we all lend a hand

*Chorus*

The Earth is very fragile, beautiful and rare  
I cannot save this gift G-d gave unless I do my share  
We have to work together, we all must do our part.  
Let's find each spark of God's pure light,  
Start searching in your heart.

*Chorus*

**Welcome and Sharing Joys**

**Interfaith Responsive Reading**

**Reader:** We gather here as an Interfaith Community  
To share and celebrate the gift of life together

*All: Some of us gather as the Children of Israel  
Some of us gather in the name of Jesus of Nazareth  
Some of us gather influenced by each*

**Reader:** However we come, and whoever we are  
May we be moved, In our time together  
To experience that sense of Divine presence in each of us  
Evoked by our worship together

*All: And to know in the wisdom of our hearts  
That deeper unity in which all are one.*

**Reading ~ from Genesis**

**Prayer ~ "L'Takein"**

Ba-ruch a-tah a-do-nai e-lo-hay-nu me-lech ha-o-lam  
She-na-tan la-nu hiz-dam-nut la-ta-kayn et ha-o-lam

*(We praise you, Eternal G-d, Ruler of the Universe, for giving us the opportunity to mend the world.)*

## **Reflection**

### **Concerns of the Community**

#### **Earth Day Meditation** (from "Amidah: on our feet we speak to you)

We must act out justice and mercy and healing  
As the sun rises and as the sun sets,  
As the moon rises and the stars wheel above us,  
We must repair goodness...

We will try to be holy,  
We will try to repair the world given to us to hand on.  
Precious is this treasure of words and knowledge and deeds  
that moves inside us.  
Holy is the hand that works for peace and for justice,  
Holy is the mouth that speaks for goodness  
Holy is the foot that walks toward mercy...

Let holiness move in us.  
Let us pay attention to its small voice.  
Let us see the light in others and honor that light.

### **Benediction and Charge**

***All:** May we go out into the world carrying with each of us the love and blessing of this Interfaith Community*

**Reader:** May we continue to hold on to what is good  
and to stand as beacons of light and understanding for all people.

***All:** May God's spirit and peace be with us each now and forever.*

**Reader:** May the Lord bless you and keep you and bring you peace. Amen.

### **Kindness Prayers ~ led by the Kindergarten Class**

Give us grateful hearts, O God, for all thy mercies  
And make us ever mindful of the needs of others, Amen.  
*(from the book of Common Prayer)*

Do all the good you can, by all the means you can  
In all the ways you can, in all the places you can  
To all the people you can, as long as you ever can, Amen.

### **Blessing over Snack**

Hamotzi lechem min ha-aretz, we give thanks to God for bread  
Our voices raise in song together as our joyful prayer is said

Baruch atah adonai elohaynu melech ha-olam  
Hamotzi lechem min ha-aretz, Amen.

### **Closing Song ~ “Put a Little Love in Your Heart”**

Think of your fellow man, lend him a helping hand  
Put a little love in your heart  
You see it’s getting late, oh please don’t hesitate  
Put a little love in your heart

*Chorus: And the world will be a better place  
And the world will be a better place  
For you, and me, you just wait and see*

Another day goes by, and still the children cry  
Put a little love in your heart  
If you want the world to know, we won’t let hatred grow  
Put a little love in your heart

*Chorus*

Take a good look around, and if you’re looking down  
Put a little love in your heart  
I hope when you decide, kindness will be your guide  
Put a little love in your heart

*Chorus*