

## Friday night Candlelight:

### **Songs:**

**Down In The River - G**

**Light The Fire - G**

**10,000 Reasons - C?**

**Spirit of the Living God - C**

**Come Thou Fount - C**

**Beautiful Things (just chorus) - C?**

**Prince of Peace - E?**

### Closing Prayer

**Heather:** We are the Body of Christ. We are the Church.

The Church is not a sanctuary or a place, the Church is us, the Beloved Community, the Family of God.

Empowered by the Spirit of Peace,

Let us be a Church unafraid to dream.

Let us be a Church that is in tune with the world around us,  
dealing with the real concerns of real people.

**John:** Let us be a Church that matters,  
making a real difference in people's lives.

Let us be an inclusive Church in which no one feels unwelcome  
or unwanted.

**Emma:** Let us be an evangelizing Church;  
reaching out to the young and to the old.

Let us be a witnessing Church—witnessing not a cause,  
not an ideology or an agenda,  
but the person and life of Jesus Christ.

**Jackson:** Let us be a Church that witnesses the poverty of Christ  
in a consumer society.

Let us be a Church that witnesses  
the charity and hope of Christ.

**Liz:** Let us be a Church that shows the face of Christ  
by being known for our compassion,  
forgiveness, and love.  
Let us be a Church in which all are servants.

**Jonas:** Let us be a confident Church, one that is not gloomy and without joy,  
but a Church that laughs.  
Let us be a Church that seeks to know and follow the Lord,  
not perfectly, but ever more closely.

**Sonia:** Let us be a Church that forgives and asks for forgiveness.  
Let us be a Church that perseveres in the teaching of the apostles,  
in the breaking of the bread and in prayer.

**Bruce:** Finally, let us be a Church that has priorities,  
a Church in which there is a priority of persons over things  
and of truth over expediency,  
a Church where there is a priority of love over all else,  
a Church in which we say that the greatest of all,  
of everything, is love. We are the Body of Christ. We are the Church.

<http://dsjliturgya.blogspot.com/2006/03/litany-of-sending-jubilee-mass.html>

Portions of Closing Prayer taken from Litany of Sending, youth of the Diocese of  
San Jose  
Potential for portions to be edited to fit keynote, worship sermons, Jeremiah  
project work, etc.

Litany of Sending

**Joanna:** Throughout these days, we have grown: in community, in faith, in strength.

We have grasped a vision of a beloved community of peace, where all are welcome and live together joyfully.

**Jacob:** Each step we take from this place is a step toward that vision: where we live by the words and teachings of Jesus and inspire others to take part in their journeys of faith.

Everything we do, in our words and our actions, in our thoughts and our feelings, we do in the name of Jesus

**Zach:** Summer staff, work crew:

Thank you for your work and your energy, devoting yourself to a week of incredible peace.

Please extinguish your candles.

**Perrin:** Small Group Leaders:

Thank you for leading by example, listening and questioning, bringing about peaceful communities in our small groups with relationships that will last beyond the Montreat gate.

Please extinguish your candles.

**Jack:** Stage Leadership and Planning Team members:

Thank you for challenging and inspiring us, for the work of preparation and for giving so much of yourselves so we might find a deeper peace this week.

Please extinguish your candles.

**Anna C:** Back Home Leaders:

Thank you for the work of planning and coordinating, for taking the seeds planted in our hearts and minds this week and nurturing them near and far and seeking peace together with us.

Please extinguish your candles.

**Erin:** Those who are finishing their first Montreat Youth Conference:

Thank you for taking the risk and making this journey to a new place and a new conference. You found a peace here at your first Montreat Youth Conference. May you return again for many more.

Please extinguish your candles.

**Cal:** Rising Sophomores and Rising Juniors::

Thank you for being a part of the community of this conference, for sharing your stories and your hopes and working together to spread peace this week and at home.

Please extinguish your candles.

**Aiden:** Rising Seniors

Thank you for taking this week before you begin your senior year, for being a part of this community of peace and stepping into leadership in your churches and youth groups and communities back home.

Please extinguish your candles.

**Anna D.-**Graduated Seniors, raise your candles toward the lake. If you have already extinguished your candles, stretch your arm towards a raised candle around you.

**Allison:** Graduates, thank you for your leadership at this conference, in our youth groups and churches and at home. As you continue through these times of transition, may you take the love of this community with you wherever you go. Remember that you do not go anywhere alone, but with the Holy Spirit of peace, empowering and guiding you. Holy Spirit, protect and guide these graduates. May they be blessed and may they be a blessing. May they know your peace in the midst of transition and trial, joy and stress. Surround them with laughter and meaning, challenges and encouragement. Inspire and enlighten their hearts and their minds and send them onward with peace and with your great and gracious love.

Graduates, Please extinguish your candles.

Song: Sanctuary?

closing?