



## LITURGY

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# Discernment to arrive at consensus on issues

### BACKGROUND

During this Easter season, we see in the apparition narratives that the disciples had a personal experience of the Risen who looks for each one wherever they may be, and giving response to what they experience.

Immediately, each one goes back to the community. There, each one recounts his experience. Nobody absolutizes with certitude what he had experienced. They listen to one another. Gradually, with each one's experience, they began to understand better what had happened. Everybody together, they realize a new communitarian experience, in which they confirm that the Risen has the wounds caused by the lance and the nails. They will testify later, with their blood, that the life of Jesus resurrected, gives us life.

### SONG: "ALL FOR ALL"

IN THE CELEBRATION OF LIFE  
WITH LOVE, WORK AND FAITH  
LET US ENJOY THAT WE ARE TOGETHER  
MIRACLE OF NAZARETH.

We have been called to live in community, being all for all and first in love.

Unitedly working, sustaining each other at the same time, I strive when you cannot, you support me as well.

Prayer is our strength, source of unity, let us drink to our history giving gratitude to God.

You ask me for forgiveness with simplicity and humility, and sweetly I offer you too, my weaknesses.

**Leader:** Each of us had been called to this common congregational space and we have responded "Here, I am.", sign of our commitment to live this congregational moment which is a period of grace, giving the best of ourselves. Today, we once again say, "Here, I am." reminding us of our availability in this service.



If sadness lie in wait, ready are the hands, the hug of a good sister never should be wanting.

When time does not forgive tiredness, pain, aging, my heart shall give thanks for your life, faithful sister.

This is our treasure, let us take care of our fraternity and let us unite our efforts to live it truth.

**Reader 1:** We have come sent by our sisters of our Clusters and Provinces bringing along their hopes and concerns and their vision of the now and the future of the Congregation and the wealth and limitations of the cultures where we came from. “Here, I am.”

**Reader 3:** We came into a new space, a Congregational space, sacred ground in which all of us fit in and where each one has a place and a word to say. “Here, I am.”

**Reader 5:** We need to enflame ourselves daily in the following of Jesus in our daily and fecund story in Nazareth, commit ourselves more in favor of the poor working world specially the woman, and involve ourselves in the care for the earth and the cosmos, “[converting] as a personal suffering, what is happening in the world, recognize the contribution each one can give.” LS n° 19 “Here, I am.”

(We answer at every paragraph: “Here, I am.”)

**Reader 2:** Upon entering this final phase of the Chapter, we no longer represent our respective spheres, we now represent all the Siervas de San Jose. We represent the whole Congregation. “Here, I am.”

**Reader 4:** We need to go farther, there in the frontiers of our spaces and break the barriers which separate us to bet for everything, for the whole, and look, work for the common good, for the good of all the Siervas de San Jose. “Here, I am.”

**Reader 6:** We are invited to broaden our gaze to have a glimpse of what is emerging in the horizon. We need to be open to change our mentality and find new ways of seeing and doing, from the criteria of Jesus, finally, to put new wine in new wineskins, ourselves primarily, delighting in and grateful for those novelty. “Here, I am.”

**Reader 7:** In this period of the chapter assembly, we are urged to listen to the world and to open ourselves, to discover where we are needed, to collaborate and to risk ourselves in the building of the kingdom TOGETHER from the Charism. “Here, I am.”

**Reading:** “Put on then, as God’s chosen one, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also do, And over all these, put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body, And be thankful.” (Col. 3:12-15)

#### **PRAYER:**

Jesus is counting on us to bring back the light where there is darkness;

Counts on us to build together the civilization of love there where there is egoism, sadness and anguish.

Counts on us to fight for peace, so that your words and liberation reach the last corner of the earth.

Count on us to sow the seeds of the Gospel, the produce fruits of fraternity, liberation and love.

Count on us, Lord, we want to be light that illumines and manifests the true image of God, the God of love.

Count on us, Lord.

#### **OFFERING OF WORK**