

## United Church of Christ Connections in *Gather 'Round* Summer Quarter 2008

### For all ages

Those who desire an inclusive language version of Psalms used during this quarter may wish to use the Psalter in *The New Century Hymnal*, pages 621–731.

### Multiage

#### Session 3

##### Gather 'round

4. Sing “Peace Like a River” with the lyrics on page 5 in *Together*. The words and printed music also may be found in *The New Century Hymnal*, number 478.

#### Sessions 4, 5, and 7

##### Gather 'round

3. Sing “Santo, Santo, Santo.” This song is on the Gather 'Round CD and the words are on page 4 in *Together*. The words and printed music also may be found in *The New Century Hymnal*, number 793.

#### Session 10

##### Connect to the story

5. Move to a table to work with play dough. Say, “Imagine something peaceful that you would make from the metal of a bomb. As the children create, sing “Santo, Santo, Santo,” a song of liberation and freedom. This song is on the Gather 'Round CD and the words are on page 4 in *Together*. The words and printed music also may be found in *The New Century Hymnal*, number 793.

### Preschool

[no UCC suggestions needed]

### Parent/Caregiver

#### Session 1

##### Ending and sending

2. Sing a song of love for all people, such as “I Bind My Heart This Tide” (*Hymnal: A Worship Book*, number 411). An alternate choice is “Un mandamiento nuevo (A New Commandment)” (*The New Century Hymnal*, number 389).

#### Session 2

##### Ending and sending

2. Sing a song of openness to the Spirit’s action, such as “Fluye Espiritu Fluye” from the Gather 'Round CD. The words for this song are on page 118. Or sing “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” (*Hymnal: A Worship Book*, number 356 or *The New Century Hymnal*, number 292).

## Parent/Caregiver, continued

### Session 3

#### Gather 'round

3. Sing a song that lends itself to clapping. One choice is “Santo, Santo, Santo” from the Gather 'Round CD. The words for this song are on page 116. The words and printed music also may be found in *The New Century Hymnal*, number 793. Enjoy clapping and praise.

#### Ending and sending

1. Open by singing “Santo, Santo, Santo” again with the Gather 'Round CD. The words are on page 116. The words and printed music also may be found in *The New Century Hymnal*, number 793.

### Session 4

#### Gather 'round

3. Sing a song of joyful Jubilee, such as “Hark! The Glad Sound” (*Hymnal: A Worship Book*, number 184). An alternate choice is “This Joy I Have” (*The New Century Hymnal*, number 524).

### Session 5

#### Gather 'round

1. As you gather, sing a song of blessing, such as “Bwana Awabariki” (*Hymnal: A Worship Book*, number 422). An alternate choice is “Jesus Loves Me” (*The New Century Hymnal*, number 327).

### Session 11

#### Ending and sending

1. Sing a song of unity and mutuality, such as “Help Us to Help Each Other” (*Hymnal: A Worship Book*, number 362) or “Brothers and Sisters of Mine” (*Hymnal: A Worship Book*, number 142). An alternate choice is “Un mandamiento nuevo (A New Commandment)” (*The New Century Hymnal*, number 389).

### Session 13

#### Gather 'round

4. Attach the final “World’s children” card to the “World smiling” poster (both from classroom pack) with clear tape. Sing a song about God’s love, such as “Jesus Loves Me” (*Hymnal: A Worship Book*, number 341 or *The New Century Hymnal*, number 372).