

Congregational Prayer for Discernment

God of our life together,
We give you thanks and praise that you have given your church life,
and that our life together is filled with touches of your love.
You have given us a heart that wants to be faithful,
and you have placed in us a desire to make a difference.
Quiet the fears and distractions of our hearts
long enough for us to listen to the movement of your Spirit,
to hear your gentle invitation.
Reveal to us the choices that will make us faithful.
Help us to discover our identity.
Let us understand how best to use the gifts
you have so lovingly lavished upon us in our journey together.
And give us the courage to choose you as you have chosen us.
Lord, let us know ourselves and let us know you.
In this is our joy.
Amen.

Adapted from St. Augustine