

What Kind of Love Is This? Monica Brown

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That every heart longs to find
Love that sets our spirits free
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Where is it found?
In the depths of every human heart.
It is God's own love!

What kind of love is this?
That goes beyond one's own self
Reaching out to those in need
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And what kind of love is it
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Could it be your love?
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What kind of love is this?
That lasts for eternity
That gives oh, so faithfully
And is willing to forgive?

Prayer Leader:

Carol Kandiko, CSA
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Our prayer is characterized by silence ~

Be still and know that I am God!

In that silence we listen for a new word.
God is present in all our lives.
God cares for us, and
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To Ponder: Ilia Delio *The Emergent Christ*

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help us to see
where a story we live out of may go amiss
of what is real,
where it allows us to escape becoming whole,
where it lets us live comfortably in fear.

Fill us with your story,
the story of unity and compassion and love.
Fill us with images that energize us
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and lead us to the fundamental truth
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