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Friends,

Mona has chosen a wonderful Gathering Song for July. It is “Though I Feel Alone” by Enter the Worship Circle. We will be singing this for the month of July and I want to highlight the words:

Refrain: ***Though I feel alone
I am never alone
You are with me
Oh, my Lord***

***In the night-time while I'm on my bed
I will let every thought be of You
For you are good
You take all those who will come to You***

***In the morning as I face the day
I will let every thought be of You
For you are good
You take all those who will come to You¹***

Part of why I like the song is its theology: it proclaims the constancy of God. It acknowledges the reality of human emotion. It reinforces a primary theme of my ministry: God is with us - no matter where, no matter when, no matter what.

Another part of why I like the song is that it “fits” us in *this* day and time.

It “fits” us as we experience this continuing pandemic in which many feel alone; night-time worries can be overwhelming and mornings (while they reveal God’s pattern of new beginnings) provide the daily reminder that we are still “in this.”

It also “fits” us as we experience a transition in our ministry. Some of us are saddened and disappointed. Some of us are surprised and worried. Some of us feel a sense of burden. Some of us are hopeful about the weeks and months to come.

¹ Though I Feel Alone (Psalm 63). Enter the Worship Circle; Don and Lori Chaffer, 1999 (remastered 2017).
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jscZYIolhA8>

“Though I feel alone” reminds us we are never alone: God is always with us.

So whatever your emotion, whatever your thoughts, whatever your nighttime dream or morning vision, I invite you - I invite US - to remember: we are never alone.

Peace to you and yours,
Katherine

p.s. And as much as earworms make me crazy,
THIS song would be a great song to implant itself
in our minds, hearts and spirits.



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