Mystery and Miracle: A Responsive Reading

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One: A planet is born, a spark ignites, something completely new comes into being;

Many: We give thanks for the mystery and miracle of life.

One: A waterfall descends, a rainbow arcs through the sky, the ocean opens to an endless horizon;

Many: We give thanks for the mystery and miracle of beauty.

One: The stars pierce our hearts, peace envelops us, we are blessed;

Many: We give thanks for the mystery and miracle of wonder.

One: In the midst of pain, we find our way to hope and restoration;

Many: We give thanks for the mystery and miracle of healing.

One: In the midst of fear, we do what is right and speak our truth in faith;

Many: We give thanks for the mystery and miracle of courage.

One: In our aloneness we see someone in greater need and offer ourselves to them;

Many: We give thanks for the mystery and miracle of compassion.

One: We gather in community, in relationship, in friendship, and cherish each other;

Many: We give thanks for the mystery and miracle of love.