

The Time for Turning

Text: Pamela Martin Music: Traditional Irish melody SALLEY GARDENS, arr. Craig Courtney

To everything a season, to everything a time: a moment to move forward and leave the past behind. As summer turns to autumn and bids farewell to spring, there comes a time for turning to every living thing.

The breezes change direction, the geese turn homeward bound. The leaf turns from its clinging and falls upon the ground. The flower turns from blooming to slumber in the snow. And so to all a season, a time for letting go.

Now is the time for turning and this a place to start; for yielding to the yearning, for changing of the heart; a moment to surrender the things we should release, forgive and find forgiveness, and in forgiveness, peace, and in forgiveness, peace.

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