

From others we learn and we discern within, with a calling to reach out.
From within we connect - a calling to the strength within to give out, to gift to others.
A calling to uphold the ancient wisdom of the Lands seas and skies in the basket of hope that is the
Uniting Church and the UAICC.
From our shared basket we seek the calling in the threads, that hold us to the one basket.

A reflection on the President's Conference
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Calling
Rising
Falling
Lifting

Walking alone
Walking in unison

Chatter
Silence

Clarity
Confusion

Linear
Circular

Perplexingly yet familiar

Misdirected
Reconnected

Challenged
Comforted

Interwoven in all the threads of life - personal and communal, work and personal and spiritual,
threads of hope and lament, of challenge and resilience, of learning and unlearning, of friendship,
held in the echo of the Good Samaritan, held in justice, love and hope, for others, for the worldview
that must weave with the local voices, that must hold the collective call to justice

May the call be the continuing, ever changing calling
May we hold each other in the falling

May we seek and source and be the all member ministry - a thread in the basket that is the holding
of justice

And may we all hold both our own and each other's laritja in the basket that is us, held by and for
the creator