Service #1: Tuesday Evening (PRINTED in Worship Book)

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP/CALL TO RETURN

One: Children of God, welcome to this place!

Many: Planes, trains, and automobiles carried us here, and we are ready.

One: Ready to meet the one who invites us to come as we are.

Many: Ready to meet the one who calls us beloved and blessed.

One: This is a call to return, a call to new mercies, a call to worship.

Many: The one who is faithful calls us here. Let us worship God.

HYMN: Great Is Thy Faithfulness (G2G #39)

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

The act of confessing is an opening of ourselves to God, a sharing of ways we have missed the mark and it also an opening of God-self to us, an opportunity to receive God's compassion and be slathered in God's grace. Confident of God's lavish love for us, let us confess first in silence.

SILENCE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison):

Out of the depths we cry to God, forgive us! For all the ways we have relied on our own power and might rather than your strength. For all the ways we've leaned on our own understanding rather than your wisdom. For all the ways we've been small and mean when you've invited us to live expansively and abundantly. Help us to do life differently. Help us to set aside those things that contribute to the harm and destruction of the good creation and to the harm and destruction of our very selves. Recalibrate us, and help us to find you at the center of our lives this week. We know that you love us and that with you we can start again. May it be so. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us.

Believe this good news and go forth to live in peace.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (music on previous page)

Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning, new mercies I see.

All I have needed thy hand hath provided.

Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

오 신실 하신 주 오 신실 하신 주

날마다 자비를 베푸시며

일용할 모든 것 내려주시니

오 신실 하신 주 나의 구주

¡Oh tu fidelidad!, ¡Oh tu fidelidad!

Cada momento la veo en mí.

Nada me falta, pues todo provees.

¡Grande Señor es tu fidelidad!

PASSING THE PEACE

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. (Colossians 3:15)

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Invite participants to exchange the Peace using the same greeting and response or through other appropriate words and actions.

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:1-8

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

[&]quot;Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

[&]quot;Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

[&]quot;Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

MEDITATION – Adriene Thorne

TIME OF REFLECTION

Allow for juicy silence so something can emerge!

Participants are invited to write a hope on one piece of paper and a fear on one piece of paper relating to our week together. Participants may use the Beatitudes as a model for their hope and fear. This sharing will be helpful as faculty lead throughout the week.

CALL TO PRAYER Standin' in the Need of Prayer

We are not alone in our need for God... and this song names a need expressed and held in community. In the AA musical traditions, there is a "we" in the "me" of this song.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Use Cole Arthur Riley Prayer to frame. Write the frame and allow folks to speak into it. Allow space to weave in the song. Close the prayer time.

HYMN Will You Come and Follow Me? (G2G #726)

 $\frac{1}{2}$ the room sings these beautiful questions to each other with a gesture of invitation. Sing the final verse together.

BLESSING – invite the community to follow Jesus as we go into the first night

Service #2: Wednesday Morning (Slide Liturgy)

SONG Listen to the Word (G2G #455) call and echo

Invite a sowing. Sprinkle the seeds with large gesture of arm. Gesture while we sing...embodied response... start simple and add movement and complexity as we go. Can also be sung as a round. Tracy will lead

Listen to the word that God has spoken,

listen to the One who is close at hand,

listen to the voice that began creation,

listen even if you don't understand.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: There is something in every one of us that waits, listening for the sound of the genuine in ourselves.

Many: Listen!

One: If you cannot hear it, you will never find what you are searching for.

Many: Listen!

One: If you hear it and do not follow,

Many: It is better that you had never been born...Listen!

One: There is in you something that waits and listens for the sound of the genuine in

yourself.

Many: Listen!

One: And having learned to listen to the sound of the genuine in yourself,

Many: I can become quiet enough, still enough, to hear the sound of the genuine

in you. Let us listen and worship God.

Adapted from Howard Thurman's Sound of the Genuine

SONG Listen to the Word (G2G #455) call and echo

Listen to the word that God has spoken, listen to the One who is close at hand, listen to the voice that began creation, listen even if you don't understand.

SCRIPTURE Mark 4:1-9 (Peter Park)

Again he began to teach beside the sea. Such a very large crowd gathered around him that he got into a boat on the sea and sat there, while the whole crowd was beside the sea on the land. ² He began to teach them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: ³ "Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seed fell on a path, and the birds came and ate it up. ⁵ Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil. ⁶ And when the sun rose, it was scorched, and since it had no root it withered away. ⁷ Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. ⁸ Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold." ⁹ And he said, "If you have ears to hear, then hear!"

Let those who have ears hear God's Word. Thanks be to God.

SONG Listen to the Word (G2G #455) call and echo

Listen to the word that God has spoken, listen to the One who is close at hand,

listen to the voice that began creation, listen even if you don't understand.

SERMON: Peter Park

RITUAL (Peter Park)

We have heard the word read and proclaimed. In the silence we invite you to put your hands in the soil and ponder the relationship between the seed and soil.

Music will underscore and support the ritual.

PRAYER/BLESSING (Adriene)

There is another reference to seeds in the psalms and Jesus knew these prayer songs. We invite you to join us in singing this song as a blessing for our prayer and for seeds planted.

When God Restored Our Common Life (G2G #74)

INVITATION TO PASS THE PEACE

Service #3: Thursday Morning (Slide Liturgy)

OPENING HYMN Lead Us Heavenly Father, Lead Us

Words and Music: James Edmeston (1821)

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Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us o'er the world's tempestuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us, for we have no help but thee; yet possessing every blessing, if our God our Father be.

Savior, breathe forgiveness o'er us: all our weakness thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth before us, thou didst feel its keenest woe; lone and dreary, faint and weary, through the desert thou didst go.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus began his ministry to the world, led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

As we continue our CREDO journey, let us be led by the Spirit, even into the uncomfortable places.

In those forty days, and in that place, Jesus was faced with hunger, doubt and temptation.

As we seek to follow Jesus, may we be led, even into the uncomfortable possibilities.

Jesus left the wilderness, faithful and obedient to God, rejoicing in the One in whom he trusted.

As we continue on our faithful path,

we will be led by Christ, rejoicing in the Lord our God.

~ adapted from Thom Shuman, and posted on Lectionary Liturgies. http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca/

HYMN Lead Us Heavenly Father, Lead Us

Spirit of our God, descending, fill our hearts with heavenly joy, love with every passion blending, pleasure that can never cloy: thus provided, pardoned, guided, nothing can our peace destroy.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:1-13

Narrator: Peter Park Jesus: Adriene Thorne Devil: Paul Volker

Peter:

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tested by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over he was famished. The

devil said to him,

Paul:

"If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread."

Peter: Jesus answered him,

Adriene: "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.' "

Peter: Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the

world. And the devil said to him,

Paul: "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been given over to

me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be

yours."

Peter: Jesus answered him,

Adriene: "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.' "

Peter: Then the devil led him to Jerusalem and placed him on the pinnacle of the

temple and said to him,

Paul: "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He

will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear

you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

Peter: Jesus answered him,

Adriene: "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Peter: When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an

opportune time.

MEDITATION: Alexandra Zareth

SILENT REFLECTION

In silence we invite you to reflect. How does the wilderness gift us with language to understand covenant and belonging?

CLOSING HYMN O Jesus, I Have Promised

Words: Author: John Ernest Bode (1869)

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BLESSING - reminder that in the wilderness we are not alone

INVITATION TO PASS THE PEACE

Service #4 - Friday Morning (Slide Liturgy)

GATHERING SONG All Who Are Thirsty

All who are thirsty, all who are weak come to the fountain, dip your heart in the stream of life.

Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away in the waves of God's mercy as deep cries out to deep. (we sing)

Holy Spirit, come (3x)

CALL TO WORSHIP/CALL TO THE WATER

Read while water is poured into font.

One: Come to the water, all you who are weary.

Many: We come to rest in the tranquil pools of God's love.

One: Come to the water, all you who need renewal.

Many: We come to float in the goodness of grace that washes away the grit and

grime of life.

One: Come to the water, all you whom God calls beloved.

Many: We come to take in God's Spirit poured out on all who thirst. We come to

worship God.

SONG REPRISE All Who Are Thirsty

BLESSING OVER THE WATER

Adriene: Remember your baptism.

God's promise is made visible in the water of baptism.

Remember your baptism.

Water: Cleanses; Purifies; Refreshes; Sustains.

Jesus Christ is living water.

Alexandra: We give you thanks, O holy and gracious God,

for the gift of water and we remember.

Paul: In the beginning of creation God's Spirit moved over the waters. We

remember.

LeAnn: In the waters of the flood God destroyed evil. We remember.

Peter: God led the children of Israel through the sea into the freedom of the

promised land. We remember.

Deb: In the river Jordan, John baptized our Lord, Jesus Christ, God's Holy

Spirit anointed him. We remember.

Adriene: By his death and resurrection Jesus Christ, the Living Water, frees us

from sin and death and opens the way to life everlasting. We remember.

Alexandra We thank God, for the gift of baptism. In the water God confirms to us

that we are buried with Christ in his death, raised to share in his resurrection,

and being renewed by the Holy Spirit every day.

Paul: Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and renew our lives, O God, through

Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All: Remember. Remember. Remember.

SCRIPTURE Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God's Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from the heavens said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

MEDITATION Kim Mendels

HYMN Take Me to the Water (G₂G #₄80 - vs 1)

RENEWAL OF BAPTISM Adriene

Faculty "baptizes" the community

You belong to Christ. Remember your baptism!

HYMN Your Love Is Washing Over Me - Voices Together #166

Blessing The Avowal - Denise Levertov

As swimmers dare
to lie face to the sky
and water bears them,
as hawks rest upon air
and air sustains them,
so would I learn to attain
freefall, and float
into Creator Spirit's deep embrace,
knowing no effort earns
that all-surrounding grace.

HYMN Your Love Is Washing Over Me (reprise) - Voices Together #166

Service #5 - Friday Evening Healing and Wholeness with Communion (Bulletin - Printed Order of Worship)

GATHERING MUSIC

Tracy will play something pretty and unfamiliar as we gather

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We are called to put things on and take other things off

Many: To pick things up and lay other things down.

One: We are called to oneness with God.

Many: To loosen our grip on power and control.

One: We are called to be like children.

Many: To play with God, to run toward the future, to expect miracles.

One: With hope and expectancy...

Many: Let us worship God!

HYMN I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say (Voices Together #536)

CALL TO CONFESSION - Adriene

You are invited to pay attention to your breath as we pray. In his letter to the Romans, the Apostle Paul tells us that the Spirit of God prays for us "with sighs too deep for words." Through the Life-Giving Breath of God, we are given all that we need. Let us breathe deeply—inhaling the good gifts that God provides, and exhaling all the things we need forgiveness for and releasing them by God's grace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION - Adriene

Let us breathe in God's peace. (Breathe in)
And let us exhale our exhaustion. (Breathe out)

Let us breathe in God's freedom. (Breathe in)

And let us exhale all that keeps us from God's goodness. (Breathe out)

Let us breathe in Christ's Way and a new sense of direction. (Breathe in) And let us exhale the paths we no longer want to walk (Breathe out)

Let us breathe in God's hope. (Breathe in)

And let us exhale scarcity and self-doubt. (Breathe out)

Let us breathe in God's unconditional love. (Breathe in)

And let us exhale distrust and hate. (Breathe out)

Holy Spirit, let us feel the mighty rush of your presence in this place. Blow away our fears and worries, and help us to breathe in your gifts of love and new life. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON - Adriene

One: God's grace and understanding is deeper and wider than we could possibly imagine. Our story begins with belovedness.

Even when we have forgotten to breathe in God's mercies and exhale God's love, the breath of the Spirit never stops breaking into our lives.

Many: We are known. We are forgiven. We are beloved. Thanks be to God! Amen.

RESPONSE OF PRAISE

The community is invited to echo the leader.

O love that casts out fear,

O love that casts out sin,

O love that casts out sin,

Tarry no more without but come,

O come and dwell within. O come and dwell within.

Great love! Great love!

Great love of God come in! Great love of God come in!

Tarry no more without, but come,

O come and dwell within! O come and dwell within.

True sunlight of the soul, True sunlight of the soul,

Surround us as we go; Surround us as we go;

So shall our way be safe,

Our feet no straying know. Our feet no straying know.

Great love! Great love!

Great love of God come in! Great love of God come in!

Wellspring of heav'nly peace,

Spring up and never cease; Spring up and never cease!"

Words: Horatius Bonar, alt.

Music: Ana Hernández. © 2010 Ana Hernández. All rights reserved. Used with permission of the composer.

PASSING OF THE PEACE- Adriene

One: May the peace of Christ be with you!

Many: And also with you!

Scripture - 1 Samuel 17:38-49

Saul clothed David with his armor; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. David strapped Saul's sword over the armor, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, "I cannot walk with these, for I am not used to them." So David removed them. Then he took his staff in his hand and chose five smooth stones from the wadi and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine.

The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. The Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his

gods. The Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field." But David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This very day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head, and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel and that all this assembly may know that the Lord does not save by sword and spear, for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give you into our hand."

When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.

MEDITATION

LeAnn Hodges

TIME OF REFLECTION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

As Jesus blesses and breaks the bread in the gospel of Luke, he says, "Remember me." May this sacred meal help us put ourselves back together again through song and prayer and silence. May we always remember that we belong to one another and to our loving God.

You are invited to add your prayers when invited – spoken, sung, or silently in your heart – as we taste and see the goodness of God, remembering Jesus' love for us in bread and wine.

Please stand in body or in spirit as you're able and join in singing...

[pitch on the shruti box will get us started and response will be taught...]

Remember, remember. 기억하다 (gieoghada), recuerdo...

Presider 1: Let us thank God for the wonders of creation and for all the human family...

for every living thing...

for food on the table... for the beauty of summer...

for children and grandparents...

Song leader: Friends, sing or speak your thanks for creation and for our human family. When this has quieted down, the cantor invites us to sing again...

Remember, remember. 기억하다 (gieoghada), recuerdo...

Presider 2:

And let us give thanks for the love of Jesus who lived among us:

who welcomed outcasts...

who touched lepers...

who honored women...

who hugged children...

who loved even us unto death...

Remember, remember. 기억하다 (gieoghada), recuerdo...

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

May God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God our Creator.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Let us thank God for the wonders of creation:

Remember, remember, remember.

And let us give thanks for the love of Jesus who lived among us:

Remember, remember, remember.

Presider 1:

After being anointed by an unnamed woman at Bethany, Jesus gathered with his friends...

Took bread...

Blessed it...

Broke it...

Gave it to them saying:

"This is my body broken for you. Do this to remember me."

Remember, remember. 기억하다 (gieoghada), recuerdo...

Presider 2:

When supper was over, Jesus took the cup

Gave thanks...

Passed it round the table...

To all of them saying:

"This cup is the new covenant in my blood...

Poured out for you...

For everyone...

For the forgiveness of sin...

For life anew...

"Do this to remember me."

Remember, remember. 기억하다 (gieoghada), recuerdo...

Presider 1 + 2:

- 1: Pour out your Holy Spirit...
- 2: Upon these gifts...
- 1: Upon your people...
- 2: Breathe into us...
- 1: That we may be...
- 2: The Body of Christ...
- 1: Broken...
- 2: Whole and strong...
- 1: Differently abled...
- 2: Beloved.

Remember, remember. 기억하다 (gieoghada), recuerdo...

Presider 1:

And now with words Christ our Savior taught us, we lift our prayer to you...

Most compassionate Life-giver,
may we honor and praise you:
may we work with you to establish
your new order of justice, peace and love.
Give us what we need for growth,
and help us, through forgiving others, to accept forgiveness.
Strengthen us in the time of testing,
that we may resist all evil.
For all the tenderness,
strength and love are yours, now and forever.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD + POURING OF THE CUP

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The presiders will offer a brief instruction about how the community is served.

Presider 2:

The gifts of God for the people of God.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION AND PRAYERS FOR WHOLENESS

After receiving communion, you may

- 1. light a candle
- 2. go to a station for personal prayer and anointing,
- 3. return to your seat to pray and sing.

Take, O Take Me as I Am - John Bell

Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

I Am Here in the Heart of God - Erin McGowan/Chanda Rule

The community is invited to echo the leader.

I am here in the heart of God,
God is here in the heart of me.
Like the wave in the water and the water in the wave,
I am here in the heart of God.

I am here in the breath of God,

God is here in the heart of me.

Like the wind in the springtime and the springtime in the wind,

I am here in the breath of God.

I am here in the soul of God,

God is here in the soul of me.

Like the flame in the fire and the fire in the flame.

I am here in the soul of God.

I am here in the mind of God,

God is here in the mind of me.

Like the earth in my body and my body in the earth,

I am here in the soul of God.

There Is a Longing in Our Hearts (vss. 1-3)

[Music can be found in Glory to God #470]

CLOSING PRAYER

Blessing and Sending (taking of stones)

Touch water to lay something down. Pick up a stone to take up what is needed.

Service #6 - Saturday Morning (Slide Liturgy – 20 minutes total)

GATHERING

1 Jesus, come! for we invite you,

Guest and Savior, Friend and Lord;

now, as once at Cana's wedding,

speak, and let us hear your word:

lead us through our need or doubting,

hope be born and joy restored.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

It is in our confession where we realize our desire for God and our hope for God's mercy. It is in admitting the truth of our lives that we take the first step toward wholeness and healing. So let us make our confession, first in silent prayer.

SILENCE

Let us pray: (unison)

Holy God, we open our hearts to you this day, and offer the truth of our lives:

The fear that stifles us,

The prejudice that blinds us,
The ignorance that hobbles us,
The doubt that plagues us.
Help us, we pray, that we will
Find courage in unlikely places,
See the world with new and gracious eyes,
Move to those places where love is needed,
Have faith that you are with us.
This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear this Good News: the love of God is beyond measure, and you are included in that love. Know that you are forgiven and now set free to love and serve. Alleluia! Amen.

Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, 'Hold Fast to What Is Good'. Used with permission.

INVITATION TO PASS THE PEACE

2 Jesus, come! transform our pleasures, guide us into paths unknown; bring your gifts, command your servants, let us trust in you alone: though your hand may work in secret, all shall see what you have done.

SCRIPTURE John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³ When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴ And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to me and to you? My hour has not yet come." ⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the person in charge of the banquet." So they took it. ⁹ When the person in charge tasted the water that had become wine and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), that person called the bridegroom ¹⁰ and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹ Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee and revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

Holy Wisdom. Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

3 Jesus, come in new creation, heaven brought near in power divine; give your unexpected glory changing water into wine: rouse the faith of your disciples — come, our first and greatest Sign!

INVITATION TO DISCERNMENT & PRAYER

Adriene Thorne

4 Jesus, come! surprise our dullness, make us willing to receive more than we can yet imagine, all the best you have to give: let us find your hidden riches, taste your love, believe, and live!

BLESSING AND SENDING

Service #7 – Sunday Service of the Lord's Day with Communion (Printed Order of Worship)

GATHERING IN SONG AND SPIRIT

Come, We Who Love God's Name / Psalm 126 (NRSV)

 Come we who love God's name and let our joys be known.
 Together God's great love proclaim,
 Together God's great love proclaim,
 And thus surround the throne,
 And thus surround the throne.

> Refrain: We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion, We're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.

One: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,

we were like those who dream.

Many: Then our mouth was filled with laughter and our tongue with shouts of joy;

One: then it was said among the nations,

"The Lord has done great things for them."

Many: The Lord has done great things for us,

and we rejoiced.

2. Let those refuse to sing who never knew our God, but we our thanks and praise will bring, but we our thanks and praise will bring, for love so deep and broad, for love so deep and broad.

Refrain: We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion. We're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.

One: Restore our fortunes, O Lord,

like the watercourses in the Negeb.

Many: May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

One: Those who go out weeping,

bearing the seed for sowing,

Many: shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

3. Then let our songs abound and ev'ry tear be dry; we're trav'ling through Emmanuel's ground, we're trav'ling through Emmanuel's ground, to greater worlds on high, to greater worlds on high.

Refrain: We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion.
We're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

As those who love God's name, we are called to bring the fullness of ourselves to the one who loves us back, to admit our best and our worst, to confess our faith and our fear. Trusting in God's abundant compassion for us, let us make our confession first in the silence of our hearts.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us pray:

Holy and gracious God,

At times we feel so frail and fragile, getting blown about by the latest crisis, by bad news, by our own short tempers and failings. You call us to hold fast to what is good, but so often we flounder, unable to find that solid thing that will center us again. Help us, we pray. Help us to see you as our center, and to cling to the good that you create in the world. Help us to set aside all our jealousies and prejudices, all of our betrayals and lies, all that adds to the world's hurt. Help us to grow even more into Christ's likeness, that we will bear his love and truth to the world...and keep a bit of his love and truth for ourselves. We pray in his name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Beloved of God, the Good News is this: Christ came into the world, lived, died and rose again in order to set us free. Believe the Good News. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and set free to love. Thanks be to God!

GLORIA PATRI

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me [Music can be found in Glory to God #582]

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Calm us now, O Lord, into a quietness that heals and listens. Open wounded hearts to the balm of your Word. Speak to us in clear tones so that we might feel our spirits leap for joy and skip with hope as your resurrection witnesses. Amen.

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SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 4:5-11 (NRSV)

For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus's sake. For it is the God who said, "Light will shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way but not crushed, perplexed but not driven to despair, persecuted but not forsaken, struck down but not destroyed, always carrying around in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our

bodies. For we who are living are always being handed over to death for Jesus's sake, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our mortal flesh.

MEDITATION Paul Volker

TIME OF REFLECTION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

Many: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy and right it is, and our joyful duty
to give thanks to you at all times and in all places,
O God our Creator,
almighty and everlasting God!
You created heaven with all its hosts and the earth with all its plenty.
You have given us life and being,
and preserve us by your providence.
But you have shown us the fullness of your love

Therefore we lift our hearts in joyful praise, joining our voices with choirs of angels, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

in sending into the world your Son, Jesus Christ,

the eternal Word, made flesh for us and for our salvation.

The community is invited to echo the leader.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, are of your glory. Blessed is the One who comes

in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Most righteous God,
we remember in this Supper
the perfect sacrifice offered once on the cross by our Lord Jesus Christ
for the sin of the whole world.
In the joy of his resurrection and in expectation of his coming again,
we offer ourselves to you as holy and living sacrifices.
Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, we pray,
that the bread which we break
and the cup which we bless
may be to us the communion of the body and blood of Christ.
Grant that, being joined together in him,
we may attain to the unity of the faith
and grow up in all things into Christ our Lord.

As grain that was scattered on the hillside was gathered together and made into one loaf, so too, we, your people, scattered throughout the world, are gathered together around your table and become one. As grapes grown in the field are gathered together and pressed into wine, so too are we drawn together and pressed by our times to share a common lot and are transformed into your life-blood for all. So let us prepare to eat and drink as Jesus taught us: inviting the stranger to our table and welcoming the poor. May their absence serve to remind us of the divisions this sacrament seeks to heal, and may their presence help transform us in the body of Christ we share.

Amen.

And now with words Christ our Savior taught us, we lift our prayer to you, God, our Lover and our Friend, our Mother and..

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD + POURING OF THE CUP

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Come, to the Table of Grace

*love... joy... peace...

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Creator God,
you have fed us with your love,
nourished us with your grace,
filled us with your peace.
Renew our hearts,
so that we might love and serve you and all of your creation.
Strengthened for the days ahead,
Let us go with joy as your beloved children,

sustained by this meal and the kinship we share in Jesus. Amen.

HYMN

I Come With Joy

[Music can be found in Glory to God #515]

BLESSING

Service #8 - Monday Morning Sending (Screen/Slides)

GATHERING MUSIC Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Romans 5, The Message Bible)

One: We throw open our door to come to God in worship

Many: We discover at the same moment that God has already thrown open his door to us.

One: We find ourselves standing where we always hoped we might stand.

Many: We are out in the wide-open spaces of God's grace and glory, standing tall and shouting our praise.

One: There is more to come.

Many: We can't round up enough containers to hold everything God generously pours into our lives through the Holy Spirit! Let us worship God!

REFRAIN OF SONG Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

SCRIPTURE Luke 9:28-37a

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking about his exodus, which he was about to fulfill in Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep, but as they awoke they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah," not realizing what he was saying. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

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On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him.

God's word for God's Beloved.

Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION Deb McKinley

BIDDING PRAYER AND BLESSING

1. Dare to live the dream God gives you, seek out paths as yet unknown, for the Spirit leads you onward, and you never walk alone.

Refrain:

HYMN

Go in courage, Walking humbly, bearing love none can destroy. Doing justice, loving mercy, go with God, and go in joy.

2. When the dread of doubt assails you,

and the road remains unclear, yet our faithful God will guide you through the doubt and dread of fear. Refrain

3. Journey on with true companions, joining hands and sharing bread, for we share a common journey and in friendship we are fed. Refrain

4. Dare to live the dream God gives us, brave the path, and face the fear, for the Spirit will unite us;

Christ himself is always near. Refrain

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