Call to Worship

One: It is by grace that we are who we are:

All: people who are called by Jesus, yet fearful to follow.



One: It is by God's grace that we can become followers:

All: people who are fearful, yet gifted with courage beyond wonder. One: It is with God's grace that we become who we might be:

All: people who step out in faith, sharing the good news generously.



We Are Called

Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord! We are called to be light for the kingdom to live in the freedom of the city of God!

> We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly, we are called to serve one another; to walk humbly with God!

Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear! We are called to be hope for the hopeless so all hatred and blindness will be no more!

> We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly, we are called to serve one another to walk humbly with God!

Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love!

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Luke 5 : 1-11

Affirmation

I am, you are, we are: because God is. We have been called forth by God into this new day; a day full of hopes and possibilities. Blessed and gifted, each of us bring unique talents, abilities and desires to a world in need. God is calling each of us, and if we wonder where, we need only seek the place where our deep gladness meets the world's deep need.

Today, we recommit ourselves to respond to God's call. God's world is a web of interwoven connection and relationships. Each life we touch, for good or ill, will touch another life, and in turn another and only God knows in what far place our touch will be felt.

And so we believe how we touch the world matters to God Therefore, we choose to tread gently, to give generously, to live justly and to love compassionately, because in God's world, there can be no joy for any of us until there is joy finally for us all.

Peace

One: Let us share the good news of the one who makes us aware, who makes us repentant and who holds us in love. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.



Offertory

Liturgical Dance



I Dare You to Move

Dancer: Erin Buttrum Church of the Resurrection



Prayers Over the Gifts

O Giver of every gift, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

- One: God be with you.All: And also with you.
- One: Lift up your hearts.All: We lift them up to God.
- One: Give thanks to God.All: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

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In that time...
...we would turn to you in joy.
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And so, believing that you have reached out and called us to service with you, and touched our lips with songs of hope, we join our voices with those who, in every time and in every place, praise your ways forever:

Holy, holy, holy, God of passion and life.Heaven and earth are full of your radiance.Glory to you, O God.Blessed is the One who comes into our hearts.Holy, holy, holy.

Jesus often ate with his friends and with strangers, in acts of companionship that nourished their bodies and their souls. We remember one special night when he gathered in a room with his friends and reminded them he would be with them always, even when it might seem that they had been abandoned.

As a symbol of this promise, he took a loaf of bread, he gave thanks, he broke it, and he said:

"Take, eat. This is my body. Do this in remembrance of me."



And then he took a cup of wine, he gave thanks, he passed it among them, and he said:

"Drink this cup. This is my blood of the new covenant. Do this in remembrance of me."



Through this celebration of bread and wine, we remember that God remains with us always. We remember that the Holy One comes again and again to bring us to new life.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Show us the way to you, empower our celebration with your Holy Spirit, feed us with your life, fire us with your love, confront us with your justice, and make us one in the body of Christ, with all who share your gifts of love.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Together we say: Our Father in heaven, ...



Breaking of Bread

One: Let this bread of love and justice fill our soulsAll: May we carry God's love

and justice to all the world.

One: The gifts of God for the people of God. All: Thanks be to God.



More Than We Can Ask or Imagine

More than we can ask or imagine, more than we can ever dare to dream, we are the children of heaven's creation, God's own beloved, each called by name. And we cry, Glory! Glory! Glory to God who calls us by name! Glory! Glory! Glory to God! Glory we sing! More than we will ever imagine, more than we will ever understand; we are sent to walk with compassion, to live out God's love by heart and by hand. And we cry, Glory! Glory! Glory to God who presses us on! Glory! Glory! Glory in God! Glory our song!

More than we can ask or imagine, more than we could ever desire; out of the dust God's building a kingdom, like wine from the press, like bread from the fire. And we cry, Glory! Glory! Glory to God! Glory we cry! Glory! Glory! Glory on earth! Glory on high! Glory! Glory! Glory to God! Glory we cry! Glory! Glory! Glory on earth! Glory on high! Glory on earth! Glory on high!



Let There Be Light

Let there be light, let there be understanding, let all the nations gather, let them be face to face; open our lips, open our minds to ponder, open the door of concord opening into grace;

perish the sword, perish the angry judgement, perish the bombs and hunger, perish the fight for gain; hallow our love, hallow the deaths of martyrs, hallow their holy freedom,

hallowed be thy name;



thy kingdom come, thy spirit turn to language, thy people speak together, thy spirit never fade; let there be light, open our hearts to wonder, perish the way of terror, hallow the world God made.



Called by Earth and Sky



Precious these waters, endless seas, deep ocean's dream, waters of healing, rivers of rain, the wash of love again.



Precious this gift, the air we breathe; wind born and free. Breath of the Spirit, blow through this place, our gathering and our grace.

Precious these mountains, ancient sands; vast fragile land. Seeds of our wakening, rooted and strong, Creation's faithful song.

Precious the fire that lights our way, bright dawning day. Fire of passion, sorrows undone, our faith and justice one.

> Called by earth and sky, promise of hope held high. This is our sacred living trust, treasure of life sanctified, called by earth and sky. Called by earth and sky, called by earth and sky.
The Singer and the Song

When long before time and the worlds were begun, when there was no earth and no sky and no sun, and all was deep silence and night reigned supreme, and even our Maker had only a dream...



...the silence was broken when God sang the Song, and light pierced the darkness and rhythm began, and with its first birth-cries creation was born, and creaturely voices sang praise to the morn.

The sounds of the creatures were one with their Lord's, their harmonies sweet and benefitting the Word; the Singer was pleased as the earth sang the Song, the choir of the creatures re-echoed it long.



Though, down through the ages, the Song disappeared its harmonies broken and almost unheard the Singer comes to us to sing it again, our God-is-With-Us in the world now as then.

The Light has returned as it came once before, the Song of the Lord is our own song once more; so let us all sing with one heart and one voice the Song of the Singer in whom we rejoice.



To you, God the Singer, our voices we raise, to you, Song Incarnate, we give all our praise, to you, Holy Spirit, our life and our breath, be glory for ever, through life and through death.



Prayer After Communion

Saying together...

Spirit of wisdom and peace, you have breathed your joyous spirit into our hearts, and fed us with your very self.



As our worship continues in our service at this Synod, remind us always of the responsibility we have for each other; open our hearts that we may see you in each other. Help us always to rejoice that the strength of our common humanity, nourished by you, announces your presence among us. Amen.



You Are Salt for the Earth

You are salt for the earth, O people: salt for the kingdom of God! Share the flavour of life, O people:

life in the kingdom of God!



Bring forth the kingdom of mercy, bring forth the kingdom of peace; bring forth the kingdom of justice, <u>bring forth the city of God!</u>



You are a light on the hill, O people:

light for the city of God!

Shine so holy and bright, O people:

shine for the kingdom of God!



Bring forth the kingdom of mercy, bring forth the kingdom of peace; bring forth the kingdom of justice, <u>bring forth the city of God!</u>



You are a seed of the Word, O people: bring forth the kingdom of God! Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice grow in the kingdom of God!



Bring forth the kingdom of mercy, bring forth the kingdom of peace; bring forth the kingdom of justice, bring forth the city of God!



We are a blest and pilgrim people bound for the kingdom of God! Love our journey and love our homeland; love is the kingdom of God!



Bring forth the kingdom of mercy, bring forth the kingdom of peace; bring forth the kingdom of justice, <u>bring forth the city of God!</u>

