Call to Worship

Leader:Let us love God with our hearts and souls!

People: LET US LOVE GOD WITH OUR MINDS AND STRENGTH!

Leader: Let us love our neighbors as ourselves!

People: FOR THIS IS THE WILL OF GOD AND THE GREATEST OF GOD'S COMMANDMENTS.

Prayer of Confession: God of the ages, we confess that we are far better at talking about love and declaring love than at actualizing love and living love; and that much of the love we profess for you never quite finds expression in our attitudes and actions towards our fellow human beings.

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Forgive us, we pray, and convince us that the two kinds of love taught by Jesus were not independent options from which we may choose, but equally binding and mutually reinforcing expectations for which we are responsible as disciples of the Christ.

In his name we pray. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Glory Be to the Father

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.