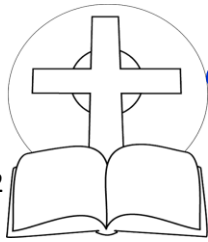


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Communion

(Portions of the service that are in **BOLD** are to be said by all.  
All points marked \* those who are able are invited to stand.)

## Approach

Prelude

Call to Worship

**All: Wet wood that bursts into flames... Trees that break forth into song... These are the stories of our faith: legends of old, God's promises for our day.**

One: Enter into the story, for this is your story: Lives dampened by despair bursting with new hope... Souls shrouded in silence suddenly singing of God's glory... Strangers and sinners welcomed in Christ's promise...

**All: These are the stories of our faith: legends and lessons from the God who is among us even now.**

\* Hymn VU #231 – *"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"*

Prayer of Approach

**Forgiving One, we come to worship to get a spiritual tune up. We get worn out through the week by all the competing ideas and promises of our culture. Constant God, we confess our inconsistency. We are too often prone to seek favor with people than to risk their disapproval of our beliefs. We are prepared to rationalize or reinterpret the difficult demands of Jesus and compromise our relation to him rather than put ourselves at odds with the people around us. Our waffling makes it unclear whether we are committed to the Good News or popular opinion. Ground us securely in our faith so that we can be ready to go out into our world with grace and peace. We pray in Jesus' name. AMEN**

## The Word



Scripture Readings – 1 Kings 18: 20-39

Galatians 1: 1, 2, 6-9

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**THANKS BE TO GOD!**

Meditation – "God is not interested in winning popularity contests"

(a quiet time for your personal reflection and prayer)

Anthem – "We Are the Followers"

## The Response

Announcements

\* Offering / Response (VU #540)

**Grant us, God, the grace of giving,  
With a spirit large and free.  
That ourselves and all our living  
We may offer faithfully.**

Children's Time / The Lord's Prayer

Joyful Noise – "Sing a Mighty Song"

Our Thanks to Kelsey and June

\* Hymn VU #457 – *"As We Gather at Your Table"*

Celebration of Communion

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

\* **Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!  
Early in the morning, our song shall rise to thee;  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

Post Communion Prayer

**God of promises, for the bread we have eaten and the cup we have tasted, we thank you. For you have touched us by your Holy Spirit and challenged us to live as your people. Send us out into the world to be your servants, in Christ's name. AMEN**

\* Hymn – *"Step by Step"* (see last page of announcement sheet)

\* Benediction / Response

**Send us out in the power of your spirit, Lord,  
May our lives bring Jesus to the world.  
May each thought and word bring glory to your name,  
Send us out in your spirit, Lord, we pray.**