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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

Gathering Hymn VU #585 – "Jesus Bids Us Shine"

Call to Worship

One: God of compassion and justice, the worship you choose for us is

to loose the bonds of injustice,

All: To let the oppressed go free, to share bread with the

hungry, to shelter the homeless poor.

One: Then your light shall break forth like the dawn and your healing

shall spring up quickly.

All: So in praise and wonder, we come to worship you not just

with our words but with our hearts and our lives.

* Opening Hymn VU #223 – "Eternal, Unchanging, We Sing"

Prayer of Approach

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. Forgive us, God. In your mercy, wipe away our sin, and baptize us once again with your Spirit, so that, as forgiven and renewed people, we may reflect the love and life of Jesus Christ into our world. AMEN

Blessing of the Community

* Hymn MV #80 – "Beyond the Beauty and the Awe"

The Word

Scripture Reading – Isaiah 58:1-9a, (9b-12)
Matthew 5:13-20

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Meditation – "God wants us to be salt and light?"

(a quiet time for your personal reflection and prayer)

Anthem - "We Are Called to Be His Servants"

The Response

Announcements

* Offering / Response

Thank you for the love that's in this place; Thank you for the joy in every face. Thank you for awakening just begun; Thank you for your steadfast presence, O Holy One.

Celebration of Communion

One: May the God of wondrous deeds be with you!

All: And also with you!

One: Let us give thanks to our God.

All: We lift our whole hearts to God, holding nothing back.

One: Join in praising God, who is merciful and gracious.

All: In the company of our friends and fellow followers, we

rejoice in the one who is our God.

Prayer after Communion

Loving God you called us to Your table of peace, hope, and reconciliation. You long to have everything to do with us, God of wonders, reminding us that there is no God but you. We have broken the bread and in doing so we have feasted on Your grace, which can heal this broken world. You have shared with us the cup which was transformed by your Spirit, for in the sweet taste of the cup's hope we taste the promises you call us to share with all people: peace where there is only war, love where there is only evil, wonder where there is only despair. You have called us to Your table and call us to follow You every day of our lives. AMEN

- Hymn MV #171 "Christ Has No Body Now But Yours"
- * Benediction / Response (MV #209 vs.1 to 3) "Go Make a Difference..."

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