Call to Worship

- Leader: Let all who have known temptations and trials come together this day.
- People: The temptations of life are too hard and the trials are too long.
- Leader: Take courage and let us seek the Lord's strength to sustain us.
- People: The tempter's call would lead us away from the Lord into darkness.
- Leader: But the Lord has defeated the evil one and in Christ is our victory.
- All: Blessed be the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Confession:

Lord, we have often let the lure of the world's ways draw us away from the standard of faith and love You taught us to live by.

Instead of standing boldly as witnesses of Your mercy and truth, we have bowed in the wind as we sought the world's approval and glory.

Forgive us, Lord, and give us the courage to stand true.

In Christ 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.