Call to Worship

Pastor: One of our greatest goals in life is to find happiness.

People: We do not enjoy being unhappy. But the more we strive for happiness, the less we seem to have.

Pastor: Perhaps our attempts to be happy, work against what our Lord does to make us happy.

People: Our concept of happiness needs to be redesigned by our faith. May God give us the joy of true happiness.

Prayer of Confession:

Life is full of joy, Father, but too often we make ourselves satisfied with that which is only superficial happiness.

Forgive us for spending life in a struggle to be happy when true happiness can be ours by putting our trust in you.

Grant us the blessings that belong to those who gladly live as your children, that joy may become our true nature.

In our Savior's name we pray. Amen.



881

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

WORDS: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.

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.