Scripture Psalm 13

- 1 O Lord, how long will you forget me? Forever? How long will you look the other way?
- How long must I struggle with anguish in my soul, with sorrow in my heart every day?

 How long will my enemy have the upper hand?
- 3 Turn and answer me, O Lord my God! Restore the sparkle to my eyes, or I will die.
- 4 Don't let my enemies gloat, saying, "We have defeated him!"

 Don't let them rejoice at my downfall.

- 5 But I trust in your unfailing love.

 I will rejoice because you have rescued me.
- I will sing to the Lord because he is good to me.

Call to Worship

Pastor: Let us trust in God's steadfast love

People: LET OUR HEARTS REJOICE IN GOD'S SALVATION!

Pastor: Let us sing to God!

People: FOR GOD HAS DEALT BOUNTIFULLY WITH US!

Prayer of Confession:

Most merciful God, we confess that, though we make every effort to give the appearance of spiritual health, our souls in fact are sinsick; and that, though we take great pains to treat our inner maladies and to cure ourselves, we wind up, at best, self-righteous, which means supposedly-righteous. Forgive us, O God, and grant us a new lease on health and life through the healing powers of your holy gospel of grace, as delivered by him who restored the sick to health and the dead to life.

In his holy 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.