Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus washed his disciples' feet as a sign of his love and as an example of his servanthood. Mary washed Jesus' feet as an expression of her love and devotion to his ministry. We are called upon to be prepared to wash the feet of those we are to serve in the name of Christ. Come, let us worship the Lord, who has shown us God's love, and set us an example of a ministry of service.

Prayer of confession:

Father God, sometimes we wonder about the money that is spent on buildings that we call churches.

The needs of the world are so great that we are tempted to believe we have no need to spend vast sums on brick and mortar.

Then we remember that our churches stand as beacons in the community, bearing testimony to your love and concern for all your children everywhere.

They are the ointment by which we show our love for you, and the perfume we carry from being with you goes with us as we reach out to the community to serve your people.

Thanks be to you, O God. 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.