\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, including Concerns and Celebrations

**OFFERING** 

OFFERTORY Classic Praise

arr., Benjamin Harlan

\*PRAISE HYMN 822

"When We Are Living"

SOMOS DEL SEÑOR

(verse 2)

Through all our living, we our fruits must give.
Good works of service are for offering.
When we are giving, or when receiving,
we belong to God; we belong to God.

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*HYMN 804 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"

MARION

\*SENDING 748

"Go With us, Lord"

TALLIS' CANNON

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

\*POSTLUDE

O Master Let Me Walk With Thee

arr., T. Smith

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ADULT CHOIR under the direction of Betsy Burmeister

\* denotes standing as able. LITURGIST: Sandy Whitney



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## COVENANT at WORSHIP

Liturgical Color: Green 6th Sunday after Epiphany 11:00am Worship

**GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE** 

PREPARATION Come We that Love the Lord

arr., T. Smith

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY Near to the Heart of God arr., T. Smith

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather here as the body of Christ,

God's servants working together.

God calls us to worship

to hear the good news and sing our praise,

for we are the hands and feet of Jesus here and now.

\*HYMN 401 "Here in This Place" GATHER US IN

**CALL TO CONFESSION** 

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you set before us life and prosperity,

but we turn towards death and adversity.

We do not listen to your commandments. We bow down to other gods:

convenience, self-reliance, greed, bitterness.

Break us of our longing for gods we can see and touch.

Turn us back to you, mysterious and mighty God,

that we may observe your commandments and walk in your ways.

We ask this through Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS** 

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

\*PRAISE HYMN 586 "Alleluia" ALLELUIA 7

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

## LISTEN FOR THE GOOD NEWS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 30:15-20

GOSPEL READING Matthew 5:21-30

PROCLAMATION Dana Waters

**RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS** 

\*HYMN 286 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" TRENTHAM