## **PRELUDE**

#### **GREETING**

### CALL TO PRAISE AND PRAYER

Leader: Blessed be the Lord of Hosts, who cleanses and heals our lives.

People: Praise be to God!

Leader: Blessed be the Holy One, who brings us from

despair to hope.

People: Praise be to God!

Leader: Blessed be the Giver of Life, who nurtures and

comforts us.

People: Let us praise God with our whole hearts and

souls! Amen.

**OPENING SONG** 

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" Faith We Sing # 2088

## **OPENING PRAYER**

God of unity and love, place within each of us a spirit of hope and community. Have mercy upon us when we speak without love or act without humility. Cleanse us with the living water of your grace. Create in us willing hearts to live in patience and gentleness. Raise us up to be your children, growing toward maturity in faith and love. Strengthen this church, that we may be a model of ministry and unity for all the world to see. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

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# CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ephesians 4:1-16

Acts 13:1-12

MESSAGE

"Speaking the Truth in Love"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING OF GRATITUDE

DOXOLOGY

Hymnal #94

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right...and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you...as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit...all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER (an ancient prayer for Christian unity)

We give you thanks, O Father, for the life and
knowledge which you have made known to us through your
Son Jesus; yours is the glory for ever and ever. As the grain
once scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed
on the hillside are now united on this table in bread and
wine, so, Lord, may your whole church soon be gathered
together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom;
for yours is the glory and power, through Jesus Christ,
for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

From the Didache (2nd century)

**HYMN** 

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

Hymnal # 671

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

**POSTLUDE** 



Ephesians 4:3, NIV

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